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No Transfer Of Sarat Bose

Govt. Of India Turns Down Bengal Ministry's Request

CALCUTTA, Feb. 19.

THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HAVE, IT IS LEARNT, TURNED DOWN RECOMMENDATION OF THE BENGAL MINISTRY TO TRANSFER MR. SARAT CHANDRA BOSE FROM TRICHINOPOLY CENTRAL JAIL TO A JAIL IN BENGAL.

THE MINISTRY HAVE NOW MADE ANOTHER REPRESENTATION TO THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT TO TRANSFER MR. BOSE FROM MADRAS TO SOME OTHER PROVINCE.—A.P.

NO EXODUS FOR BENGAL GOVT.

CALCUTTA, Feb. 19.

The usual move of the Headquarters of the Government of Bengal from Calcutta to Darjeeling will not take place during the coming hot weather, announces a press 'communique' issued to-day. —A.P.

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NAZIS RETREAT IN DISORDER

LONDON, Feb. 19.

The Russians are advancing west of Smolensk and several inhabited localities were reoccupied and hundreds of enemies were killed.

Fighting has been unusually severe in the northern sector and the Leningrad front has been the scene of particularly heavy battle.

The Russian advance which is increasing in violence cost the Germans 1,100 killed in one day. Berlin Radio admitted that 230th Soviet Division supported by strong armoured division are pressing on to Vyshniy-Volochok, 220 miles from Leningrad to Moscow.

A Soviet newspaper describing the work of the Russian Air Force says that in over 2,000 operational flights Russian airmen killed nearly 30,000 Axis troops.

ON LENINGRAD FRONT

A supplement to the Soviet 'communique' states: "According to incomplete data during the two weeks of operations in the enemy rear, in the Leningrad area, guerillas annihilated 45 German officers and 650 soldiers, destroyed one tank, 93 lorries loaded with supplies two guns and 28 carts and blew up 15 bridges and several ammunition dumps.

A Private in a German Infantry Division said, 'Within four or five days our battalion was completely routed and lost 80 per cent of its effective strength. The remnants of the battalion retreated in disorder. During our retreat, I saw many German soldiers frozen to death on the roads. I received my last letter from Danzig on December 2. My wife wrote that nearly all the men in the city had been called to colours. The food situation was very grave."—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

Bombay's Governor-Designate

LONDON, Feb. 19.

In the House of Lords to-day Lord Nathan asked Government whether the appointment of Field Marshal Sir John Dill as Governor-Designate of Bombay is in any way affected by his appointment in Washington. The Duke of Devonshire replied: "I would remind Lord Nathan of the fact that Field Marshal Sir John Dill is not due to take up his new office of Governor of Bombay until September next."—Reuter.

RANGOON PORTS APPROACHES MINED

CHUNGKING, Feb. 19.

An official statement on the results of Marshal Chiang-Kai-Shek's visit to India issued in Chungking to-day states, "Concrete measures were decided upon for the transportation of supplies direct from India to China the capacity of which will exceed those taken along the Burma Road. The use of Rangoon as a port of entry has therefore been abandoned and its approaches have been mined."—Reuter.

No Alternative To Cabinet Reshuffle

Cripps For Commons Leadership?

BEAVERBROOK MAY BE SENT ON SPECIAL MISSION TO U. S.

LONDON, Feb. 19.

Reuter's Lobby correspondent understands that there is a probability that Lord Beaverbrook will go on a special mission to the United States.

This may affect his position in the Cabinet.

Other changes considered possible are Stafford Cripps, Leader of the House of Commons, Capt. Oliver Lyttleton, Deputy Minister of Defence.

Mr. Attlee will remain Deputy Prime Minister or becomes Dominions Secretary.—Reuter.

WESTMINSTER STORM GATHERS FORCE

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, Feb. 19.

Clear indications of uneasiness towards the Government's handling of the war are available as a result of the Commons war debate.

Mr. Churchill's optimistic construction of the German warships escape as favourable to Britain's Atlantic battle evoked little response. Few members were impressed by Mr. Churchill's observation.

Apparently the storm in Westminster is still gathering force. The Midland Group of Conservative M. P.'s met yesterday and decided they were no longer satisfied with the present Government. The Group is headed by Sir Patrick Hannon, member for Mosley. Over 20 members attended this meeting.

CONFIDENCE IN CHURCHILL

The resolution read that the members of the Midland Group of the House of Commons reaffirmed its unabated confidence in the Prime Minister but would call serious attention to the feeling of unrest and dissatisfaction which had been evident for some months and which had been increased by recent events, and urged changes in the administration as would secure effective co-ordination of all defence services and reconstruction of the War Cabinet so as to relieve its members from departmental responsibilities and enable their entire energy and thought to be concentrated on war effort.

It is understood other Conservative Groups are meeting this week to discuss their position.

"MIDDLE COURSE"

LONDON, Feb. 19.

Reuter's lobby correspondent wires: It is believed that Mr. Churchill has decided to make changes in the War Cabinet and reduce its size before the Commons begins the expected two day debate on the conduct of war. Mr. Churchill is thereby contemplating a middle course between refusal to make any changes whatever and a complete reconstruction of the ministry, a course which in the opinion of some observers may lead to difficulties and surprises.

There appears now no serious challenge to Mr. Churchill's view that the posts of the Prime Minister and Minister of Defence cannot be separated.—Reuter.

MADRAS LEADS

Detenus To Be Released

MADRAS, Feb. 19.

Mr. Justice Burn of the Madras High Court who was asked by the Government to enquire into the cases of detenus numbering about 200 has submitted his recommendations.

It is learnt the Government will, on the recommendations of the Judge, release some detenus unconditionally and some conditionally asking them not to participate in the subversive activities and to reside in particular places.

It is further learnt that orders have already been passed for the release of the detenus.—United Press.

4,000 Evacuees Arrive In Madras

MADRAS, Feb. 19.

About four thousand Indian evacuees arrived here this morning. They were received and attended to by the Protector of Emigrants and the Mayor of Madras.

The evacuees will be sent to their respective destinations this evening.—United Press.

LABOUR M.P.S' DEMAND

"INDIANS MUST HAVE FREE COUNTRY TO FIGHT FOR"

But Amery Has No Fresh Statement To Make On Political Situation

LONDON, Feb. 19.

Mr. Sorensen (Labour) asked the Secretary of State for India in the House of Commons to-day whether the promised statement by His Majesty's Government was likely to be made in the near future; and whether in view both of the unfortunate effect of Japanese propaganda in some parts of the Far East and of the beneficial effect of the consistent opposition of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and the Indian Nationalist movement to Japanese aggression and ambitions, it was intended fully to utilise the latter fact to counteract any effect of the Japanese propaganda.

NO FRESH STATEMENT

Mr. Amery replied: "I am not in a position to make any fresh statement on the Indian political situation. As regards the latter part of the question, His Majesty's Government appreciate the Anti-Japanese sentiment of the Indian political leaders and will welcome their active co-operation in their resistance to Japanese and other enemy aggression."

Mr. Sorensen: "The latter part of the statement will give great satisfaction to certain quarters in India. In view of the statement made by the Prime Minister, that a statement is to be made in the near future, when are we likely to have that general statement of Government policy given to the House?"

Mr. Amery: I cannot at this moment give you greater satisfaction on that point."

Give Them A Free Country To Fight For

Mr. Silverman (Labour): "Does Government realise the importance, in view of the present situation and of the military events in the Far East, of enlisting the active support of the masses of the Indian population, and do they realise that that could most effectively be done by giving them a free country to fight for?" (Labour cheers).

No answer was returned.

CIVIL DEFENCE IN BURMA

Mr. Sorensen (Labour) asked the Secretary of State for Burma in the Commons what steps had been taken respecting the provision of air raid shelters and similar forms of Civil Defence in Burma and in particular in the Rangoon area: whether the present Burman Government have taken active steps in the matter: whether arrangements exist for the evacuation of civil population in areas likely to be exposed to a concentrated air attack: and what sum of money has been allocated to civil defence purposes.

Mr. Amery replied: "Active steps have been taken to organise civil defence on lines generally similar to those of this country adapted to suit local conditions particularly in the Rangoon area. The organisation which covers arrangements for the evacuation so far as may be necessary of urban populations as well as the provision of shelter is in charge of an officer who has had experience in the Ministry of Home Security. The details of the sums allocated are not available."

A.R.P. IN RANGOON

Mr. Sorensen: "Can he explain if arrangements have been made for evacuating the civil population and whether air raid precautions are in being to protect the population particularly in Rangoon?

Mr. Amery: "Arrangements have been made for the evacuation of the civil population and arrangements have been made for shelter where possible."

Sir Stanley Reed (Conservative): "Is it not a responsibility which devolves upon the Burma Ministers?"

Mr. Amery: "It falls primarily on the Burma Ministers but also on the Governor under the Defence of India and Burma Rules."—Reuter.

Port Darwin Bombed

Considerable Damage Done In First Air Raid, Says Curtin

SYDNEY, Feb. 19.

The Prime Minister Mr. Curtin announced that Darwin was bombed.

"SOME CASUALTIES."

MELBOURNE:—An air communique states "Japanese bombers raided Darwin on Thursday morning. Preliminary reports indicate that the attack was concentrated on the township. The shipping in the harbour was also bombed. There were some casualties and damage to service installations, details of which are not yet known. The raid lasted about one hour.

Four Bombers Brought Down

LONDON, Feb. 19.

A force of 21 twin-engined bombers returned to attack Port Darwin this afternoon. Four were brought down, says the Sydney radio.

In the first raid, 72 twine-engined Japanese bombers escorted by fighters were over Darwin for an hour says the Sydney radio.

"Considerable Damage"

SYDNEY: Damage to property in the first air-raid on Darwin was considerable, according to a statement by the Prime Minister Mr. Curtin. He added that reports so far did not give precise details of casualties but "it would be obvious that we have suffered."—

"STATION CLOSING DOWN"

Mr. Forde stated that present evidence indicates that the Darwin raid began at midnight.

The message from Darwin reading "Air raid on Darwin has started. Station closing down", was timed 0-5 a. m.—Reuter.

BATTLE FOR BURMA

Fierce Fighting On Bilin River Front

Heavy Casualties On Both Sides

Allies Keep Positions Intact & Launch Counter-Attack

RANGOON, Feb. 19.

Heavy fighting on the Bilin River front is reported in the latest Army Headquarters' 'communique' this afternoon.

Since the withdrawal behind the Bilin river took place, operations have developed. The enemy first succeeded in cutting our west flank north of the Bilin river.

Our troops were subjected to a heavy attack and a counter-attack had to be launched. The enemy tried to engage our left flank, but by means of counter-attack our positions were kept intact. The enemy tried to cross the Bilin river but our troops drove them into the river.

Fighting was extremely fierce and casualties were heavy on both sides.

BURMESE TROOPS' GALLANTRY

Details of the Bilin river battle, given in the Army 'communique', contain clear indication to the nature of the resistance our troops are offering the enemy.

The Japanese are deployed in full strength at two positions and the reserves are on the way from Indo-China and Siam, estimated in some quarters to total 30,000.

Nevertheless the gallantry with which the Burmese and other forces are holding the Bilin river, which at this time of the year is heightened by the knowledge that the enemy have had heavy fighting for every mile of their advance from the Salween river.

ALLIES HOLDING THEIR POSITIONS

LONDON:—There is no reason to think that our forces in Burma are not holding their positions, it is stated in authoritative quarters in London to-day. British and Indian troops are fighting side by side.

Danyengon, which the enemy attacked on our left flank, is about four or five miles north of Bilin and can be regarded as left of our Bilin position. But it does not necessarily mean that we have no further troops in the north of that position although it is not a continuous line.

Nothing has been heard from Java of any Japanese landings and it is unlikely that any have taken place. There is no official confirmation in London of the reported Chinese advance towards Chiengmai in Siam.—

R. A. F. Bomb Chiengmai

RANGOON, Feb. 19.

It is unofficially stated that the R. A. F. heavily bombed Chiengmai, one of the most important points of concentration and the railhead from Bangkok.

FALSE ALARM

Sirens wailed this morning in Rangoon for the first time in 11 days but it proved a false alarm.

JAP. RECONNAISSANCE OVER NEW GUINEA

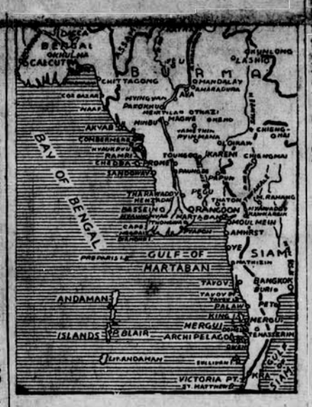
SYDNEY: A communique issued by the Australian Air Minister reports there was limited Japanese reconnaissance yesterday over New Guinea, but there was no enemy attack. The R. A. F. aircraft encountered fighter opposition over the Bismarck Archipelago.

Mr. Forde On Latest Operational Reports

SYDNEY Feb. 19.

The Army Minister, Mr. Forde, after to-day's meeting of the War Council, said he had fully considered the latest operational reports and communications about the South-West Pacific. They had gone to the Service Chiefs and at present he would not comment further.

The War Council meeting which the Service Chiefs attended was not finished yesterday evening and is continuing to-day. Mr. Curtin, still in hospital, is improving and will probably be able to travel to Canberra for Parliament tomorrow. He was constantly in telephonic communication with Mr. Forde during yesterday's Cabinet Council meetings.



AMERICANS BOMB PALEMBANG

American planes bombed Palembang airfield in Sumatra held by the Japanese, the U. S. War Department announces. American fighters brought down four Japanese planes near Java.

A U.S. War Department communique states, "Netherlands Indies; Nine American P 40 fighting planes intercepted six Japanese pursuit planes, shooting down four.

American planes then went to the Japanese-held Palembang airfield and dropped light bombs on enemy installations.

The extent of damage is not determined. All our planes returned safely to their base. The action is believed to be the same as reported from General Wavell's headquarters.

Enemy Pressure On Philippine Front

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.

A War Department 'communique' states: "The Philippine Theatre: The enemy is increasing his pressure on our lines in Bataan particularly on the right flank. Heavy enemy artillery fire continues. Japanese troop movements behind the enemy lines indicate a regrouping of forces preliminary to a resumption of the offensive.

In a relatively minor local action, our troops captured three pieces of enemy artillery, several flame throwers, a quantity of ordnance and signal supplies. Enemy batteries on Cavite shore continued to pound our harbour defences without accomplishing a great amount of damage. The fire on Fort Frank was particularly heavy.

Nothing to report in other areas."—Reuter.

CHINESE ADVANCE INTO THAILAND

For Relief Of Japanese Pressure On Rangoon: Enemy Retreat

CHUNGKING, Feb. 19.

Chinese forces are advancing into Thailand to relieve Japanese pressure on Rangoon, according to a Chinese military spokesman here. After the initial clash on the Burma-Thailand border on the Upper Mekong river on February 5, Chinese vanguards drove the Japanese from the north bank of a tributary of the Mekong river and across the border.

They killed 30 Japanese and the remainder retreated southward with the Chinese keeping up offensive operations.—Reuter.

RASHAPING RECAPTURED

CHUNGKING, Feb. 19.

A 'communique' announces the Chinese recapture of Rashaping, a strategic river town, south of the Northern-most section of the Canton-Hankow Railway in Southern Hupeh province.

On Tuesday morning, following their successful repulse of the Japanese attack from Chiengyan the Chinese inflicted 400 casualties on the Japanese and captured much war booty.—Reuter.

Chinese Capture Strategic Positions

CHUNGKING, Feb. 19.

Chinese forces have had several successes in central China, says Wednesday night's war communique.

South-West of Tsun Yan in the south of Hupeh province they captured a number of strategic positions and inflicted over 400 casualties on the Japanese. In the north of Anhwei Province the Japanese suffered 300 casualties and lost two outposts.

On the Yangtse the Chinese drove back the Japanese with bayonet charges. The remnants of the enemy are retreating towards Hwaining, the report adds.

2,000 Jap Casualties

The Japanese have so far suffered over 2,000 casualties in the severe fighting that flared up in the Shantung province in North China towards the end of last week. Twenty thousand Japanese, says the official Chinese communique, are striking from six directions at the Chinese troops entrenched at Yishen in the Taiyi mountains. In one bombing attack on the Chinese positions the Japanese used over 20 planes.

The communique, which is dated Tuesday night but did not become available until to-day, says that the Chinese have dispatched units to attack the Japanese rear and flanks and cut their supply lines.

One Japanese plane was shot down by the Chinese near Chutsien, a Japanese base south of Yishen. Yishen is to the east of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway and south of the Tsingtao-Tsinan Railway.

On Libyan Front

LONDON, Feb. 19.

Authoritative London circles stated to-day that in Libya, General Rommel has not come forward again. It appears that he is back more or less to where he started when he began his new advance.

CAIRO: A 'communique' states there was no change yesterday in the general situation in Cyrenaica.

GERMAN CLAIM

A German communique states that on the Eastern front, numerous enemy attacks have been repulsed.

The 'communique' adds that in North Africa there has been patrol activity on both sides.—Reuter

150 Traders Arrested

LAHORE, Feb. 19.

Despite inclement weather, the traders satyagraha against General Sales Tax was continued in Lahore this afternoon. About 150 traders who marched in batches of ten each were arrested and later taken in police vans to an unknown destination where they are likely to be released.—A. P.

Enemy Planes Over Batavia?

BATAVIA, Feb. 19.

The Capital, Batavia, this morning had an alert which lasted an hour. There was another in the afternoon.

Observers say that enemy planes were over the city.—Reuter.

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Public Notices

DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SUPPLY

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONTROLLER OF PURCHASE (SUPPLY)

TENDER NOTICE

THE CHIEF CONTROLLER of Purchase (Supply), New Delhi, invites tenders for the stores detailed below:—

	Article.	Quantity Nos.
1.	Oars 10 ft.	14,600
2.	Boats Assault MK I. Paddles	360
3.	Decking Assault Bridge MK III.	120
4.	Dinghies Folding MK I. Gratings	360
5.	Dinghies Folding MK I. Oars 7 ft.	240

TENDER NO. P|SY|TM-796|2R.

Price of tender forms, etc., is Rs. 10|- per set and is not refundable and forms are not transferable. Payment should be made in cash or by Money Order only, to the Chief Controller of Purchase (Supply), New Delhi quoting tender number and remitter's full address on the coupon.

TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED UPTO 28-2-42.

Applicants not already on the Chief Controller of Purchase (Supply), New Delhi list of approved contractors, must state in their applications for tender forms the name of their bankers.

N.B.—Tender forms are also available for sale in the offices of Controllers of Supplies at Madras, Lahore, Cawnpore, Calcutta, Bombay and Karachi and may be obtained by the tenderers from these offices on payment of the prescribed tender fee direct to the Officers concerned.

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Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mrs. LILIAN RACE and BEATRICE ADELINE RACE have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. Any person having any claim or interest in or to the said property by way of sale, mortgage, trust, lien, possession, gift, inheritance, lease or otherwise howsoever, are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 14, Hummum Street, Fort, Bombay, and to the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as having been waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of land or ground, situate at Lonavla, Taluka, Maval, Zilla Poona, in the Registration Sub-District of Maval being plot No. 14 and forming part of Old Survey Nos. 83 and 84, New Survey Nos. 114-115 bearing Entry No. 139 and containing by admeasurement one acre and fourteen gunthas and bounded, on or towards the North by private road or strip of land left for road beyond that by the New Survey No. 114 and on or towards the East partly by Old Survey No. 81, New Survey No. 113 and partly by Old Survey No. 82, New Survey No. 112, on or towards the South by the old Khandala Suclim Road and beyond that by New Survey No. 103 and on or towards the West by a private road or strip of land left for road and beyond that by New Survey No. 294.

Bombay, dated 19th day of February, 1942.

JEHANGIR GULABBHAI & BILIMORIA,
Purchaser's Attorneys.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

L. C. NO. 32 OF 1941

In the Matter of the Indian Companies' Act VII of 1913 and of the
All-India Medical Licentiates' Association Family Fund
..... Petitioners.

By an order made by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in the above matter, dated the 16th day of January, 1942, on the Petition of the Petitioners abovenamed it was ordered that the All-India Medical Licentiates' Association Family Fund be wound up by the High Court under the provisions of the Indian Companies' Act VII of 1913, and the Court Liquidator was appointed Official Liquidator of the said All-India Medical Licentiates' Association Family Fund.

MANKODI & CO.,
Petitioners' Attorneys.

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Public Notices

WANTED

TEMPORARY SUBORDINATES on the scale 70-5-150 E.B.-10-200 either qualified Overseers (Upper Subordinates) or graduates. Starting pay according to age and qualifications. Apply personally on 23rd February at 10-30 A.M. with original certificates to Superintending Engineer, Western Circle, Central P.W.D., Commerce Building, Ballard Estate, Bombay.

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Legal Notices

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bai HAWABAI, widow of Valimahomed Abdul Khalik has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients free from all encumbrances.

ALL PERSONS having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Alli Chambers, Tamarind Lane, Fort, Bombay, within (14) fourteen days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of Government land or ground (since redeemed) together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house, standing thereon situate, lying and being on the Eastern side of Tamkar Street, outside the Fort of Bombay, in the City and Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 76 6/9 square yards or thereabouts and Registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New No. 8369, New Survey No. 3762 and Cadastral Survey No. 1283 of Byculla Division and assessed by the Bombay Municipality under 'E' Ward No. 99 and Street Nos. 115-117 and bounded as follows that is to say: on or towards the East by the Sweepers' passage, on or towards the West by the said Temkar Street, on or towards the North by the property of Khatri Abba Sulleman and on or towards the South by the property of Bai Fatmabai Jitekar.

Dated this 18th day of February, 1942.

HOOSEINI DOCTOR & CO.,
Purchasers' Attorneys.

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Messrs. ABDUL RAZAK ABDULLA, AHMED HAJI SIDICK KHATRI, GULAMHOOSEIN HAJI EBRAHIM NAKHODA, AHMED HAJI NOORMAHOMED and NOORMAHOMED ABDUL SATTAR PATEL, Trustees under the Scheme framed by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in High Court Suit No. 2616 of 1927 (Advocate General of Bombay V/s. Khan Bahadur Hakim Mahomed Dayam and another) have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients. Any person having any claim or interest in or to the said property by by way of sale, mortgage, trust, lien, possession, gift, inheritance, lease, or otherwise howsoever is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Ismail Building, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, and to the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL THAT piece or parcel of land or ground of the Pension and Tax tenure, containing by admeasurement 6922 (six thousand nine hundred and twenty-two) square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Collector's Old No. 572, Collector's New Nos. C/2718, CA/2730, 1D/2718 and 1D/2730. Collector's Old Survey No. 21, New Survey Nos. 6/7255 and 9/7255 and Cadastral Survey No. 191 of Malabar and Cumballa Hill Division together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon known as Cozy Corner Bungalow assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under D Ward No. 3154, Street No. 29A and which said premises are situate at Doongersey Road in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay and are bounded as follows: that is to say,on or towards the East by the property of Cursondas Vallabhdas and of Ruttonji Dubash and others, on or towards the North and West by Doongersey Road and on or towards the South by Hindu Charitable ground.

Dated this 19th day of February, 1942.

DASTUR & CO.,
Purchasers Attorneys.

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Legal Notices

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that THAKORDAS RANGILDAS and CHHAGANLAL RANGILDAS, the Kartas or Managers of the joint Hindu family consisting of themselves and the minors CHAMPAKLAL THAKORDAS, JAYVADAN THAKORDAS and VINAYAK CHHAGANLAL, have contracted to sell the below mentioned property to one of our clients. All persons having any interest or claim in respect of the said property by way of sale, gift, transfer, exchange, trust, mortgage, lease, lien, charge, possession, easement or otherwise howsoever, are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 77, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof; otherwise the purchase will be completed without reference to all unnotified claims and the same, if any, will be considered as relinquished and waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece or parcel of Quit and ground rent tenure land or ground with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, situate at Khetwadi Main Road in the City, Island and Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement about 276 6/9 square yards and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Nos. 2087 to 2090 and 2096, New No. 9214, Old Survey No. 656 and 661, New Survey No. 5386 and Cadastral Survey No. 751 of Girgaum Division and assessed by the Bombay Municipality under D ward No. 1855 and Street No. 74 to 78 and bounded on the East by the property of Jamsetji Ruttonji, on the West by the property of Sorabji Pestonji Kerawalla on the North by the property of Sorabji Shapurji and on the South by the said Khetwadi Main Road.

Dated this 19th day of February, 1942.

SHASTRI & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
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Auction Sales

BENNETT & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF OFFICE FURNITURE, SAFE, ETC.

Under instructions from the Custodian of Enemy Property Messrs. BENNETT & CO. will sell by Public Auction on TUESDAY, the 24th February, 1942, at 10-30 A.M. (S.T.) on the 2nd floor of "Kitab Mahal" at Hornby Road, Fort, the undermentioned properties of Messrs. Toyo Menka Kaisha and Mitsui Bussau Kaisha Ltd., vested in the Custodian of Enemy Property.

Complete office furniture, Godrej safes, steel filing racks, counters partitions, screens, electric ceiling fans and lights duplicator machine, sample cupboards etc.

On view from the 23rd inst.

AUCTION SALE OF CLUB FURNITURE, ETC.

Under instructions from Mr. A. V. Sutari, the Nominee, appointed on behalf of the Hony. Secretary and Captain of the Andheri Country Club, Messrs. BENNETT & CO. will sell by Public Auction on Sunday, the 22nd February, 1942 at 2-30 P.M. (S.T.) at Sheroo Villa, opp. Khoja Sanatorium, Versowa Road, Andheri the undermentioned furniture etc., property of the Andheri Country Club.

Dining tables, cane chairs, linen, crockery, cutlery, Japanese game sets, garden rollers and implements, etc.

Terms:—Cash against delivery.

AUCTION SALE OF OFFICE FURNITURE, ETC.,

Under instructions from the Custodian of Enemy Property Messrs. BENNETT & CO., will sell by Public Auction TO-DAY (FRIDAY), the 20th February, 1942, at 11 a.m. (S.T.), on the 1st floor of the United India Building at Sir P. Mehta Road, Fort, the undermentioned properties of Messrs. Nippon Yusen Kaisya, Japan Cotton Textile Exporters Association, Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Japan Cotton Spinners' Association all vested in the Custodian of Enemy Property.

Office Furniture, Cupboards, Godrej Safe and Steel Filing Rack, Typewriters, a lot of Office stationery and numerous other articles.

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The "Mira" toothbrush ensures thorough teeth cleaning and healthy gum massage. A specially designed tuft means that even the tiny, difficult to reach crevices at the back of the mouth (where decay often starts unseen) are thoroughly cleansed. The "Mira" is the right brush at the right price—with pure, selected bristles anchor set so that they simply can't come out! It lasts longer!

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City And Suburbs

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS To-day

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Muslim: Safar 4, 1361
Parsi: Shehrever 19 1311
Sunrise: 7-6 a.m. Sunset: 6-40 p.m.
Hightide: 2-50, 15-22. Lowtide: 8-59, 20-54.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

EXCELSIOR—"This England" 4, 6-30 & 9-30
REGAL—"Appointment for Love" 4, 6-30 & 9-30 p.m.
CAPITOL—"Western Union" 4 6-30 & 9-30
METRO—"Chocolate Soldier" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
SWASTIK—"Garib" 3, 6 & 9 p.m.
MINERVA—"Sikandar" 3-30, 6-15 & 9 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Beti" 3, 6 & 9 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Bharat Milap" 2-45, 5-45 & 9
LAMINGTON—"Chandan" 4, 7 & 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Jhoola" 11-45 a.m., 3 & 6-30 p.m.
NEW WEST END—"Doctor" 3-30, 6-15 & 9
BROADWAY—"Gangavataran" 4-15 7 & 10 p.m.
KOHINOOR—"Payachi Dasi" 4-30 7-15 & 10 p.m.
NOVELTY—"Municipality" 3 6 & 9 p.m.
EDWARD—"Kangan" 4 6-30 & 10 p.m.
CHITRA—"Shadi" 4 6-45 & 9-45 p.m.
PALACE—"A Woman's Face" 4 6-30 & 10
IMPERIAL—"Pyas" 4, 7 & 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Khazanchi" 4, 7 & 9-45 p.m.

PHYSICS COLLOQUIUM: To-day (Friday) Prin. G. R. Paranjpe on "Age of the Earth" at 4.45 p.m. at the Royal Institute of Science, Bombay. Lecture Theatre Room No. 11.

A.R.P. COMMITTEE, MATUNGA: A.R.P. Wardens are requested to attend the lecture on "Incendiary Bomb Control" by Class III instructors in Ramnarain Ruia College to-day (Friday) at 9 p.m. (S.T.).

A.R.P. AT VILE PARLE: A public meeting of the residents of Vile Parle will be held to-day (Friday) at 8 p.m. at 'Tilak Mandir,' Vile Parle, to consider the measures to be taken for the protection of persons and properties of the residents in case of Air Raids.

"IN BURMA TO-DAY": All-India Radio, Bombay will broadcast a talk by Lady E. Paw Tun wife of the Burma Premier entitled "In Burma To-day" to-day (Friday) at 8-52 p.m. on both 244 and 89.15 metres, respectively.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: A public study class on "Manas" from the Ocean of Theosophy, by W.Q. Judge, will be held to-day (Friday) at 5-15 p.m. at Jehangir Wadia Building, opposite Flora Fountain.

SUBURBAN CONGRESS: The adjourned meetings of the Executive Committee and of the General Body of the Bombay Suburban District Congress Committee will be held to-day (Friday) at 5 and 5-30 p.m. respectively, at the Congress House, Girgaum, Bombay.

NEW TIMINGS AT ROXY: From to-morrow there will be three shows of "Jhoola" at the Roxy daily, at 2-15, 5-45 and 9 p.m., with a matinee at 11 a.m. on Sundays and holidays. The last show will close about midnight, so that patrons can avail of the tram and bus services.

INDIAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY: A meeting of the Bombay Branch of the Indian Chemical Society will be held at 5-30 p.m. to-day (Friday) at the Royal Institute of Science, when Dr. K. D. Desai will give a lecture on "Stereo-isomerism of cyclo-hexane compounds."

CHAITANYA YOGASHRAM: Celebrations of the second anniversary of the Chaitanya Yogashram, Ghatkopar, will be held under the presidency of Sjt. B. G. Kher, in the Paushadhshala Hall on Sunday, 22nd February at 9 a.m. At night, Shri Sonopant Dandekar, will perform Harikirtan, with his company.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER'S ROUNDS: The Municipal Commissioner and the Councillors of Ward No. 4 will meet near the Junction of Chinch Bunder Road and Sandhurst Road (near Petrol Station) to-morrow (Saturday) at 6-51 a.m. (B.T.) to go round the Ward. Residents of the Ward who have grievances to represent should be present at the appointed place and time.

DANCE IN AID OF RED CROSS: Dance in aid of the Red Cross Fund organised by the Kanara Catholic Association War Efforts Committee under the patronage of Sir Homi Mehta, Chairman of the Bombay War Gifts Fund, will be held at 9 p.m. to-morrow (Saturday) at the Town Hall. Admission Rs. 2/8. Ladies free. Booking at S. Rose and Co.

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FREE SAND BAGS FOR CITIZENS

How To Deal With Incendiary Bombs

A few days ago an advertisement appeared in the local papers intimating the "occupiers" of the premises to keep sand bags for the protection of lives and properties in case of emergency. The Municipal Executive having received numerous enquiries for details, etc., it is stated for public information that in the case of any premises or building, the occupier means the person who is in occupation of the premises, or the owner.

By an order called the Bombay Fire Watching and Fire Fighting Order dated the 5th instant, the Government have made it incumbent upon the public to perform certain acts as directed and to carry out certain duties for safety as and when the occasion arises.

One of these acts is to nip in the bud or to minimise the force and effect of incendiary bombs by covering them with sand bags before they explode. For this purpose, it is necessary to be on the look out for a bomb i.e. to keep vigil and to cover a fallen bomb by a sand bag before it explodes. This can be done only if sand bags are available in each and every building and as near the place where an incendiary bomb is likely to fall. Such places are likely to be exposed surfaces or roofs, top floors, terraces and court yards, entrances etc. at ground level.

It has therefore been decided to give to the occupiers of ground floors, top floors and of such floors as have exposed terraces, a certain number of sand bags. Accordingly the number of sand bags as has been determined for each building will be distributed to the occupiers of buildings falling within areas specified in the Order of the Controller published in newspapers on 16th February 1942. (The scale followed in working out the number of bags for each building is 2 bags for the upper floor for every 8,000 sq. ft. of the floor area and 2 additional bags for every additional 8,000 sq. ft. of area. There will be also 2 to 3 bags delivered for use on the ground floor).

NO PAYMENT FOR SAND BAGS

It might be added that the Municipal staff has been authorised to deliver the sand bags to the occupiers. The work of distribution will be taken in hand from 24th February according to the programme notified by the A. R. P. Controller. The Municipal staff will visit each building in the area shown in the notification on the date mentioned against it, and all that the occupier is required to do is to take charge of the sand bags that will be handed over to him, on the ground floor, for use at both the ground and top floors, by the Municipal staff and to give a receipt for the sand bags received by him on the printed form. The sand bags will be given free and no payment will have to be made for them. Thereafter the occupier will have to keep the sand bags temporarily in a safe place until the exact position where they are to be kept is pointed out by the Warden of the area. The bags intended for use on the ground floor should be kept on the ground floor and those intended for top floors and terraces should be kept in convenient places so as to be readily available for use in case of emergency. They are to be used whenever necessary according to the instructions contained in the leaflet which will be distributed along with the sand bags.

The notification published on 16th February gives the programme of distribution of sand bags to certain areas in the City. A further notification will be issued shortly which will give the programme of distribution in the remaining areas of the City.

As the distribution of sand bags to all the buildings in different parts of the City is intended to be completed in about a fortnight, co-operation of the public is essential to make the task of the authorities easier.

The sand bags which are now being distributed throughout the City of Bombay are for use against small Incendiary Bombs and fires caused by Incendiary Bombs. The sand bags which are being supplied have been half-filled for two reasons:— (1) so that they are light enough to be handled; (2) so that they are loose enough to cover an Incendiary Bomb.

When approaching the bomb, hold the sand bag with both hands in front of your face and proceed towards the bomb quickly. Then place the bag on the bomb so as to cover it and afterwards get away as quickly as you can. Note that the half-filled sand bag and not merely its contents should be used and that it should be placed on the bomb and not thrown. The object in placing a sand bag on an Incendiary Bomb is:—

(1) to prevent the heat and burning fragments from the bomb coming into contact with any inflammable material nearby;

(2) to prevent glare, if the bomb is in the open at night;

(3) to reduce the danger of a small explosion taking place (some Incendiary Bombs contain a small explosive charge). Keep your sand bags under cover.

PETROL RATION RUMOURS DENIED.

Rumours current in Bombay that petrol supplies are being stopped or further curtailed are without foundation.

BHAI M. C. PAREKH'S LECTURE: Under the joint auspices of the Kahnumai Mazdayasni Sabha and the Gatha Society, Bhai Manilal C. Parekh, author of "The Gospel of Zarathushtra", will deliver a public lecture in English in the library hall of the K. R. Cama Oriental Institute (Apollo Street, Fort) to-day (Friday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.) on "Essential Elements of Zoroaster's Teachings"

DAVAR'S COLLEGE OF COMMERCE: Annual athletic sports of Davar's College of Commerce will be held at the Cooperage on the W.I.F.A. Ground from 2-30 to 5-30 p.m. to-morrow (Saturday). The Cumbatta Championship and Nasikwalla Championship Challenge Cups and Mrs. Sodawaterwalla and Sir Byramjee Jeejeebhoy Challenge Cups as well as Dinshaw Panthakey Challenge Cup will be put up for competition as in past years. There is one open event, 440 Yards Flat Running Race, open to bona fide students of all Colleges.

SUSPEND COLLECTION OF TAXES

The Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber sent on the 18th February 1942 a telegram to the Hon. Mr. M. S. Aney, Member, Viceroy's Executive Council, New Delhi, stating that "it is very necessary that the Government of Burma should be persuaded to suspend collection of Income-tax and Land tax as in the absence of parties concerned, their agents, auditors or lawyers, the Indian interests in connection with such tax collection proceedings cannot be effectively represented."

PRINCIPAL PARANJPYE TO SPEAK ON "EARTH'S AGE"

A lecture will be given by Principal G. R. Paranjpye on the "Age of the Earth" at the Royal Institute of Science, to-day (Friday) at 4-45 p.m.

HOME GUARDS OF INDIA

To-day's Public Meeting

Under the joint auspices of the National Democratic Union, the Radical Democratic Party, the Radical Seva Dal, K. R. Cama Oriental Institute, the Bene Israel Youth Convention the Parsi Textile League, the New India League, the Society of Retired Parsi Officers and 25 other public bodies co-operating with it, the Indian Federation of Labour and 15 Unions affiliated to it, etc., a public meeting of the citizens of Bombay and the Suburbs will be held to-day (Friday) at 6 p.m. at Dr. Sir Jivanji Modi Memorial Hall (K. R. Cama Oriental Institute) opposite H.M.I. Naval Dockyard, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, when a resolution calling upon the people to enrol themselves as members of the Volunteer Defence Corps—the Home Guards of India will be moved for adoption. Sir Homi Mehta, K.B.E., J.P., President, National Democratic Union, will preside and Mr. Tayab Shaikh, Major S. R. Bamji, Messrs. Abdul Hamid, B. V. Jadhav, Naushir Bharucha, Mrs. Kalyni Bhattacharjee Messrs. R. M. Jacob, Rustom J. J. Modi, Bar-at-Law, V. B. Karnik, V. G. Kulkarni, Tajuddin Ajmere, Khan Saheb Nakra and others will speak. After the meeting there will be a free Cinema Show depicting England's preparations against war through the Home Guard organization numbering 2 1/2 million strong. The public are cordially invited to attend.

Sandbag Your Houses

The Government of Bombay has now engaged engineers to make a survey of houses and to give advice about where and how to build safety-rooms. It will, however be necessary for these engineers to begin by making the necessary recommendations for chawls in which vital labour is housed, and so it may take some time before they get round to ordinary members of the public. Meanwhile, the public are advised to sandbag. Sandbagging does not require any very great technical knowledge, and wardens will in most cases be able to give all the advice needed. If any mistakes should be made, they can be put right without any great trouble when the engineer comes. Arrangements are being made for the supply of sandbags in the immediate future.

ON THE AIR

FRIDAY, 20th FEBRUARY

Delhi, I—Programme

538.6 metres (886 kc/s)

4-30 p.m. For Indian Troops in the Far-East. 5 Bedam ki Ghazlen. 5-15 Sultana Begam. 5-30 Sham-i-Gham: Delhi Radio Orchestra. 5-40 Panna Bai. 6-15 Anwar Khan. 6-30 Kash Main Likhta, 2: Talk in Hindustani. 6-45 For Villagers only. 7-45 Industrial Opportunities in War Time: Talk. 8 Punjabi. 8-45 Roshan Lal Bhatnagar. 9-30 B B C news relay. 9-45 Dhoiak ke Geet. 9-55 Listening Post: Talk relayed from B B C. 10 Panna Bai. 10-20 Anwar Khan. 10-30 Master Mumtaz and Party.

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

7-30 a.m. Abdul Rehman and Party. 7-50 News in Hindustani. 8 News in English. 8-10 Moghu Bai Kurdikar. 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in Gujarati. 9-10 Amir Bai Karnataki. 12-30 p.m. Ghazals. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 Marathi songs. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 Lunch hour music. 4-15 School Broadcast. 5 To-morrow 5-5 K.H. Kakankar. 5-30 M.D. Tendulkar: Violin. 5-40 News in Marathi. 5-45 News in Gujarati. 5-50 Abdul Rehman and Party. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 M.D. Tendulkar: Violin. 6-20 Local news and announcements in English. 6-25 Same in Hindustani. 6-30 Aunty Hilda's Happy Half Hour. 7 The Sinews of War: Talk in Marathi. 7-15 World Affairs: Talk relayed from B B C. 7-30 Amir Bai Karnataki. 7-45 News commentary in Gujarati. 7-50 Suhas Dharap. 8 News in Marathi. 8-15 News in Gujarati. 8-30 Our Universities: Talk in English. 8-45 Newsgram. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-15 News commentary in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C news relay. 9-45 War commentary. 9-55 Listening Post. 10 Moghu Bai Kurdikar

Bombay II—Programme

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

7-30 to 7-50 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 7-50 Flute recital. 8 Thumri Bhairavin 8-10 to 8-50 As in Bombay 1. 8-50 Ram Lal. 9 K.H. Wakankar. 9-10 to 9-30 As in Bombay 1. 12-30 to 2-25 As in Bombay 1.

61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

4-15 to 6 As in Bombay 1. 6 G.G. Kharadkar. 6-10 to 7-15 As in Bombay 1. 7-15 Interval.

89.15 metres (3,365 kc/s)

7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 to 8 As in Bombay 1. 8 K.H. Wakankar. 8-15 Abdul Rehman and Party. 8-30 to 9 As in Bombay 1. 9 A I R Orchestra. 9-10 Amir Bai Karnataki. 9-30 Sebastian Vaz and His Orchestra. 9-55 Leo D' Souza: Tenor. 10-10 Sebastian Vaz and His Orchestra.

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ANY DAY IT MAY BE TOO LATE

The Conference held at Calcutta during the week-end under the presidentship of Sir Nripendranath Sircar was regarded by some as meant to support what are called Sapru proposals. But for the sake of clearness it should be noted that there are two sets of what are loosely called Sapru proposals. First there are the proposals of the Non-Party Conference held at Bombay and Poona under the presidentship of Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru. Secondly, there are the proposals embodied in the appeal cabled to Mr. Churchill by Sir Tej and some other leaders. And the two sets are materially different. The first insists on an unequivocal declaration pledging Britain to inaugurate Dominion Status in India within a fixed period after the war. It also demands a restoration of popular Ministries in the provinces now under Governors' autocratic rule. The second set of proposals, however, quietly sabotages the former demand and virtually ruins the second by suggesting that, if Ministries cannot be restored, the place of the present Advisers should be taken by non-official Indians. It is unfortunate that the resolutions of the Non-Party Conference and the Liberal Federation should have been so drastically whittled down by certain leaders of these bodies without any authorisation from them. It is even more unfortunate that this step was not openly condemned by many of those who supported the original proposals. The Calcutta Conference, however, has, by supporting the original resolutions, censored the move to whittle them down.

Wanted Unequivocal Declaration

At this Conference the President gave the right lead by insisting on the Declaration about Dominion Status with a time limit. He said: "As Dominion Status is stated to have been intended and promised, what is the difficulty in announcing an approximate date instead of telling India that it will be done with the "least possible delay", subject to British responsibility for peace and welfare of India. No one will be blaming the British Government if the time is to be extended by reason of some unforeseen catastrophical event like another World War, but surely to-day we do not know whether the transfer of Defence to India will take five years or a century after the end of the War." The Conference, therefore, had no difficulty in repeating the demand for an unequivocal Declaration pledging Dominion Status to India immediately after the war. Whatever may be the value of a British Government's pledge—it was openly stated in the House of Lords the other day that such a pledge was not binding upon the next Government—an unequivocal pledge is at least less unreliable than an equivocal one. As regards the solution of the Provincial deadlock, an attempt was made at the Conference by some to support the suggestion that, failing the restoration of parliamentary governments the provinces should be administered by the Governors with the help of Executive Councils and not Advisers as at present. Fortunately, the attempt was foiled and provincial autonomy was insisted upon.

Blindness And Reaction

Whether conferences like these, making most reasonable demands will have any effect on the British Government may be doubted. But there should be no doubt about the demands themselves. The fact that the proposals cabled to Mr. Churchill have not yet been formally and publicly rejected by him have encouraged some to believe that with further modifications they may be progressively adopted. But even if they are all adopted at once, they will fail to satisfy the public so long as they are not coupled with a definite declaration about India's complete self-government and with a complete restoration of autonomy in all the provinces. Bitter experience of the past few weeks has shown that the people cannot by any means be induced to put wholehearted confidence in any but thoroughly national Governments in the Provinces and at the Centre alike. Nor can the people be expected to throw themselves heart and soul into war effort unless they are inspired by the hope that at least after the war their country will enjoy complete freedom. It is impossible to rouse them with the fear that, if they do not help in the war now, they may have to reckon with a worse kind of subjection. Gandhiji has shown what India may do "If Germany wins." But India can yet make it impossible for Germany or Japan to win if the whole nation is stirred as any nation can be really stirred. The "News Chronicle" of London, commenting on the reported shortcomings of the British administration in Singapore, gives a none too early warning that there is in this "a lesson for the British in Burma and India." "The penalty of blindness and reaction" it says, "now threatens us in both countries. Had the lesson been learned earlier, we might now have millions upon millions of Indians and Burmese pouring to the defence of White democracy in the east..... There is perhaps still time but only just." Will the lesson be learned at least now? We are afraid not, so long as the purblind Mr. Amery remains Secretary of State for India and so long as his blundering policy holds the field. When asked if the arrival of Marshal Chiang-Kai-Shek in India might be made the occasion for a fresh approach to the Indian problem, Mr. Amery only curtly replied that it could not be. He seems incapable of seizing any opportunity to retrieve the consequences of his past blunders. As the "News Chronicle" says, "there is perhaps still time, but only just." One can never know when the last opportunity will have been missed.

Release The Prisoners

In accordance with the resolution passed by the All-India Trade Union Congress at its last session, Wednesday next will be observed as a Detenu Day by all Provincial Trade Union Congress Committees and affiliated unions throughout the country and a demand will be made for the unconditional release of all political prisoners and detenus. In the observance of this day not only the workers but also all others, who love freedom and who detest imprisonment without trial, will join. The Commander-in-Chief in his speech in the Council of State on Wednesday urged all men in factories, in mills and in workshops to work as they had not worked before to produce the tools wherewith the soldiers, sailors and airmen of India would finish the job of winning the war. The workers have faith in their leaders and resent their detention without trial and the Government would greatly help the attainment of the object which the Commander-in-Chief has in view if they release these leaders.

The Home Member, replying to the demand made in the Indian Legislative Assembly yesterday for the immediate and unconditional release of all political prisoners and detenus, seemed to resent the fact that release was demanded irrespective of whether the prisoners were guilty or not. It will not be the first time in the history of political agitation that even those political prisoners, who are guilty, will be released. Besides, the Home Member forgets that these prisoners have already undergone a considerable portion of their sentence. So far as the detenus are concerned, there is no justification whatever for their detention unless, as Maulana Zafar Ali Khan said, "well-filled jails are regarded as emblems of sovereignty." It is gratifying to learn that, as a result of enquiry held by Mr. Justice Burns, the Government of Madras have passed orders for the release of detenus, some unconditionally and some conditionally. We, however, see no reason why any conditions or restrictions should be imposed. If any of these men offend the law they can be prosecuted if the detenus are to be released let there be some grace about this tardy act of justice.

Groundless Fear

"We are" says an American paper, "told from London that we in America are not sufficiently aware that Mr. Churchill is in danger of losing his Premiership." It then goes on to urge upon the British how and why "the eclipse of Mr. Churchill" would constitute a great tragedy. The paper is being unduly and unnecessarily panicky. There is no question of Mr. Churchill losing his Premiership for the simple reason that there is no alternative comparable to him. He is quite competent as a war leader. What is more, he commands the largest and most extensive measure of support not only in Britain but also among Britain's Allies. There is no man who can be generally popular with the Tory Party, the Labour Party, America and Russia. Mr. Churchill has not lost his title to Premiership. But he has certainly lost much of the national prestige and whole-hearted loyalty of his people which were his in 1940 and 1941. This is due to no one but himself. His one and main enemy is his pugnacious undemocratic brusqueness with which he now invariably treats criticisms and suggestions.

Frankly Speaking

Rommel's Mystery Move

After operating for a few days near Gazala, General Rommel has withdrawn his columns westwards. It is reported from Cairo that these columns were of a strength which could not be regarded as reconnoitring parties. If, therefore, he had planned a large scale thrust, why has he withdrawn? Various suggestions have been offered. But they do not sound conclusive. It cannot be believed that he did not know, till only a few days ago, the strength and weakness of the Eighth Army. Nor is it likely that one big air defeat for him can act as a decisive deterrent. But whatever the reasons, if Rommel has postponed his offensive, he has given a valuable opportunity to General Ritchie further to organise the Eighth Army for a counter-offensive. In this connection, we welcome the news that an important British convoy has passed through the Mediterranean and reached Egypt with the loss of only two merchant vessels. Let us hope it has brought in sufficient quantity, of valuable supplies particularly much needed tanks and those anti-tank guns which Lord Beaverbrook praised ecstatically the other day.

Russian Successes

The lull or rather the grimly fought deadlock on the Russian front seems to be breaking. In the Leningrad area the Russians appear to have scored successes which may at long last prove to be the prelude to a major victory, in fact the relief of the great city. Further South, although Rzev is yet to be reduced, the Soviets bypassing movement has taken them to and even beyond Velikiye Luki which, however, still appears to be in Nazi hands. In what is generally described as the Smolensk area, the Germans themselves admit that the important towns of Vyazma, Borodino and Orel are now involved in the fighting. Even though unofficial reports of Soviet penetration into White Russia are not taken into account, indications do point to the imminence of some important achievements.

The Vital Front

But it is the Southern sector on which all eyes are fixed with interest and with some anxiety, too. For, spring is not far off now and it is the Ukraine which by force both of necessity and strategy will be the victim of Herr Hitler's concentrated offensive strength. It is, therefore, vitally necessary that he is driven beyond the Dnieper before he strikes back. This southern front has been out of the picture for some time. But Moscow radio reports now claim that German resistance around the vital town of Kharkov is being worn down and that the Russians have actually driven a wedge into German defences. We hope Marshal Timoshenko's efforts are crowned with success and soon. For, there are only a few weeks more for spring to arrive.

"Soldiers & Civilians"

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—There is a paragraph on 'Soldiers & Civilians' in the "Current Topics" of your contemporary, the "Times of India," of to-day. The paragraph is written in a callous and cynical manner. A good deal of public excitement and public resentment has been aroused on account of certain incidents which have happened in the city. The "Times of India" does not say that such incidents have not happened, but considers that "soldiers in a slightly merry mood behave in a boisterous fashion towards the citizens, particularly women." Surely, they should not be allowed to indulge in their so-called humorous or horse-play mischief which means an insult to our womanhood. It is not at the expense of our sisters, daughters and mothers that such horse play varieties of humour should be allowed to be indulged in. It is deeply regrettable that a respectable paper like the "Times of India" should even think of finding a justification for such a conduct by saying that all such incidents arise from some humour. It reminds me of an incident which took place several years back when a respectable Indian lady was insulted and when Mrs. Saraladevi Chaudhrani referred to it bitterly as an "Englishman's humour". Your contemporary says that "cases of molestation should be reported to the police along with reliable evidence." All the letters which one finds in the press emphasise one point, which is that the police do not take notice of such incidents. The "Times of India" must realise that these incidents are one of the festering sores of public resentment at present, and that it should use its good offices, as all the Indian papers should, in getting such incidents eliminated and not in treating them as a huge joke. No people like their women to be insulted and molested, and the Indian people should not be expected to have their women as objects of such so-called humorous incidents.—Yours etc.,

"A CITIZEN".

Bombay, February 18.

SECRET SESSION OF ASSEMBLY

M. L. A.'s To Discuss War Situation

DEBATE ON UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL POLITICALS

NEW DELHI, February 19.

Lobby expectations are that a day will be allotted for the secret session of the Central Legislative Assembly as requested by a very large number of non-official members, to discuss the war situation 'vis-a-vis' India. An official announcement is expected to be made early next week.

In the Assembly to-day Mr. A. C. Dutta moved a resolution recommending to the Governor-General-in-Council to take steps for the immediate and unconditional release of all political prisoners and detenus. Mr. Dutta characterised the indefinite detention of prisoners as most improper, especially at the present moment when Government wanted to create mass enthusiasm in war efforts.

Mr. N. M. Joshi supporting the motion said there could not be one set of justice for Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Maulana Abul Kalam Azad and other Satyagrahi prisoners who had been released, and another set of justice for others who were detained. There was no justification for such discrimination. As a result of release of Satyagrahi prisoners, Congress had reconsidered its position and withdrawn Satyagraha. Same beneficial results were bound to follow the release of these political prisoners, most of whom had changed their views with regard to war and were burning with a desire to help in the successful prosecution of war.

Maulana Zafarali Khan urged Government not to alienate the sympathies of any section of the country at the present moment when they must be all out to enlist the goodwill of the whole country in the great task of facing a common enemy.

FLING AT RAJAJI

Mr. Jamnadas Mehta considered the continued detention of these prisoners had caused immense discontent in the country. He was confident that the release of these prisoners would result as beneficially as the release of Satyagraha prisoners had resulted with Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar figuring as a great crusader and Mr. Bhulabhai Desai following him though somewhat cautiously.

It was most unjustifiable that the group which believed in fullest co-operation in war efforts without stipulating any condition should still find many of its members inside prison bars. He did not know what a National Government would do, if Government granted it now. He did not want Government to grant it now. He knew what Mr. Rajagopalachariar had done when he was the head of the Congress Government in Madras He imprisoned workers. Government must exercise statesmanship and release people who had not committed any offence, not even the symbolic disobedience of the Satyagrahis.

MAXWELL'S APOLOGIA

The Home Member, Sir Reginald Maxwell, intervening on behalf of the Government, pointed to the wording of the resolution, which demanded the release of all political prisoners, irrespective of the fact that they were guilty or not. He asked the House whether political prisoners, who had committed murders or religious fanatics, who in their frenzy broke law, were also to be set free. The Home Member explained that the Government had given the widest possible construction to their decision and had released satyagraha prisoners guilty of "symbolic civil disobedience." The Government since the House last discussed a similar resolution, had released 6,475 prisoners in addition to 589 security prisoners. There were now four hundred and odd prisoners who were still in custody, their offence being not symbolic, but definite impending of war effort. As foreshadowed by him in last session, machinery was being set up to examine cases of detenus and others. He asserted that the Government had no desire to keep anybody in jail, who desired to help in war effort.

It was for the detenus and other prisoners to indicate that they had changed their attitude and were anxious to help the war effort and the tribunals, which were being set up, would recommend their release. But any attempt to hinder war effort would not be tolerated by the Government.

Sir Reginald made an earnest appeal to the House to consider whether the present was opportune moment to release these prisoners, whose activities were detrimental to national safety. While on the one hand, demands were being made to strengthen the defences of India against foreign aggression and internal disorders, the sponsors of the resolution urged the release of persons whose attitude had been prejudicial to national safety. The Home Member said that at a time like the present, it was essential to maintain the morale of the country. The enemy was out to destroy their morale and exploit any weakness and spirit of defeatism in the country with the object of frustrating their war effort. It was time that the people retained faith in their Government and maintained the spirit of endurance and a resolute conviction in victory. China and Russia had demonstrated what could be done when morale was not broken. In this country, on the other hand, political parties advocated disaffection towards the Government and act in a manner which breeds defeatism and Fifth Columnists. Such an attitude could not be good for the morale of the country on which safety of the country so vitally depended. He asked the House to realise what could be the consequences of panic. It might result in widespread lootings and disorders and the Government, instead of fighting the enemy, would be called upon to restore internal order. He maintained that confidence in the Government would strengthen its hands in securing the safety of the people.

Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan felt that the main object of the mover of the resolution was to persuade the Government to allow detenus to place their cases before the Government or Courts of Law. Referring to the Home Member's interruption whether that was done in England, Nawabzada said it was wrong to compare conditions prevailing in England with those in India, in England the Government was of the people and depended on people's will. In India it depended on brute force.

Nawabzada had not concluded, when the Assembly was adjourned till February 23.

GHUZNAVI'S MOTION TURNED DOWN

NEW DELHI, Feb. 19.

In the Central Assembly to day, Sir Abdul Halim Ghuznavi's resolution on the administration of the Income-Tax Department was rejected by 41 votes against 19.

The resolution recommended redress of the grievances of Indian assessees all over India, and to treat Indian assessees and European in the same manner. It suggested "inter alia" that the Central Department in Calcutta and Bombay be abolished forthwith and that Appellate Assistant Commissioners and the Appellate Tribunal be placed under the control of the Law Department, Government of India, or of the Federal Court instead of the Finance Department.

The European Group voted against the resolution

Replying to the debate, Sir Jeremy Raisman, Finance Member, said it was a melancholy task at a time like the present and against the background of contemporary events to have to deal with something like a concerted attack on the income-tax administration on which fell so vital and burdensome a duty in this time of national crisis. He made it clear that the organised protest from Calcutta, which had culminated in this motion was made at a time when the Income-tax authorities had come to the conclusion that they had discovered a very serious case of evasion on a large scale and they were taking steps not merely to assess a large sum which had escaped tax but also to launch certain criminal proceedings.

Sir Jeremy was sure the House would agree with him that it was quite intolerable for a Government at any time and particularly at the present time to be deterred by demonstrations from administering the law, and he made it further clear that however powerful and wealthy the offender in this class of cases might be, he was not prepared to yield to organised pressure or to allow his officers to be browbeaten.

The Finance Member was certain that neither he nor any of his officers had at any stage given the slightest reason for any question of thinking that they should proceed on the basis of racial discrimination.

The Assembly rejected Sardar Sant Singh's resolution asking for a Committee of the House to enquire into the incidents connected with the disturbances in Delhi in November 1941 on the occasion of the birthday celebrations of Guru Tegbahadur.

Panel Of Chairmen

When the Legislative Assembly met to-day for discussion of non-official resolutions, Hon. Sir Abdur Rahim, president announced the following panel of Chairmen for the current session. They are:—

(1.) Mr. Ghulah Bhik Narang, (2.) Sir Henry Richardson, (3.) Sir Cowasji Jehangir, and (4.) Sir Henry Gidney.

Democracies And War

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—I write to accept Mr. Dim's invitation to the "loosening of tongues" in the belief that more should be said.

Whatever it may be thought that Lord Beaverbrook assumed—whatever we may be asked to "figure for ourselves"—is conjecture. The fact is that some 9,000 war planes were exported from Britain during 1941. It may be that 9,000 planes is a mere bagatelle in Britain's yearly output. We may all hope that it is so. But we may all also realise that it may well not be so. A fair conclusion depends on a knowledge of facts, which few possess.

In the same issue of "The Statesman" one reads.—

"In such a psychological atmosphere (i. e., before December 7th) full concentration upon rearmament was impossible. America lay at peace and apparently secure, despite Presidential warnings; why, therefore disturb the customary flow of national life and commerce in any radical fashion? Though events have since shown this question's deplorable unwisdom, its asking certainly cannot be held specially blame-worthy. In Britain, although dictator-ridden Continental Europe loomed so near, the prevailing mental attitude until the Munich Crisis of 1938 (some would say until May 1940) was similar. Here in India, until very lately, there has been even more retrospectively evident lack of realism."

Does not this express the essence of the sense of frustration which is felt?

Mr. Moore charges Lord Beaverbrook with being the author of our vicissitudes. I would prefer to say that the charge lies against us all. That is, all of us who thought that the tragedy of the last war would dissuade any human being from arming for another war. Again I quote the "Statesman":"

"It is true enough that Mr. Shinwell and the remains of the Labour Party who sit on the Opposition bench have had a bad record on rearmament. But they were only followers. Their leaders were Major Attlee, now the Prime Minister's deputy, and the other Labour "members of the present Government. It was Major Attlee who in 1934, a month after Hitler's ruthless purge on June 30, moved a vote of censure on the ground that the Government was 'entering upon a policy of rearmament neither necessitated by any new commitment nor calculated to add to the security of the nation'....."

In all fairness it is here that our charge should lie Here is that first neglect under which we still suffer. Equipment produced under the stress of war itself must be produced behind ramparts of defence, and its use may well present a terrible dilemma. Any man who has to decide such a problem might well deserve sympathy and not reproach.

But we may well reproach ourselves—the democracies of all our countries—with the lack of realism which appears to admit a belief that the democratic way of life is sufficient and secure of its own merit without the fortifying qualities of foresight, preparation, and ever-ready strength.

We know now that the retention on British soil in 1940 of what has been called the Metropolitan R. A. F. Fighting Force made the difference in the Battle of Britain. Had that been a heroic tragedy instead of a heroic resistance. I fear neither Mr. Moore nor Mr. Dim nor myself would be here now to discuss whether we would or would not hold or regain the East.

"In this psychological atmosphere (i. e., before December 7th)" —that is the answer, and although that date may be America's date, there are many equally significant dates in the history of all our countries during the last twenty years. Had it been otherwise, the circumstances in which Lord Beaverbrook was originally appointed would not have arisen, much less his apparent dilemma.—Yours, etc.,

A. McINTOSH.

8, Dongarsi Road,
Malabar Hill,
Bombay, Feb. 18.

Golden Age Of Spanish-Muslim Literature

In his fourth lecture at the Bombay University (School of Economics) Dr. U. M. Daudpota begins at the moment when Spanish-Muslim scholars and poets finally rose in revolt against the tutelage of the East. As Ibn Bassam puts it in his valuable literary and historical work on this period: "If in that far distant land a raven croaks, or if, in the furthest part of Syria and Iraq, a fly buzzes, they kneel before it as they would do before an idol; while they hold the prose and poetical writings which saw the light in Andalus, as next to nothing."

But these times were over now. Books had appeared in which the local poets were brought to the notice of their own people, as Ibn Faraj al Jayyani's "Kitab u'l Hada'iq" and Abu'l-Walid al Himyani's "Al Badi-fi-Wasf-i'r-Rabi."

The downfall of the Central Government and the disintegration of Muslim Spain into many small kingdoms seemed only to increase the literary and poetical activity by creating many courts in stead of one as centres of patronage. Spanish poetry now assumes a local character and Spanish poets now become "far superior in their perception of the beauties of Nature and the delicacies of sentiment to their brethren in the East, and the European reader will often discover in their poems, with some surprise, the same ideas, metaphors and system of versification which characterizes the verses of the Troubadours and the early Italian poets." (de Slane in his Introduction to the Biographical Dictionary).

Subsequently the lecturer gave a brief account of poets and prose-writers after the downfall of the Umayyads. Their names would fill volumes, and time is too short even to mention them all. Dr. Daudpota selected, therefore, only some of the best known and recited some of their poems chosen with remarkable taste.

Dr Daudpota finished the long list of literary works in the 11th and 12th centuries, when poetry was the popular art in the country and was enjoyed and practised by poor and rich, peasants and kings.

HOME MEMBER'S CHARGE

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Feb. 19.

Both the Congress Nationalists' and Muslim League combined forced to-day in support of Mr. A. C. Dutta's resolution on the release of political prisoners but the Home Member took up an uncompromising attitude saying "Public safety must come first". His speech of charging the Opposition with "defeatist politics" and practically insisting that those who denied support to the present Government were guilty of defeatism, has caused considerable surprise in the lobby. To Mr. K. C. Neogy's question "Why don't you make it a National Government". Sir James Maxwell replied "I don't want to be diverted to constitutional questions. The country has got its Government". Members opposite retorted "we take objection to this Government."

Nawabzada Liaquat in a subsequent speech replied to Sir James Maxwell's reference to England and said "In England it is the Government of the people depending on the will of the people". A fine speech was also made by Maulana Zafarali, who deprecated Government's policy of keeping political prisoners still in jail and asked whether Government thought "well-filled jail was an emblem of sovereignty". Referring to political detenus, Mr. Jamnadas Mehta cried amidst laughter "They no more deserve to be behind prison bars than Home Member himself".

TÊTE-À-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

"The Manchester Guardian" writes: "We do not know if Java can be held—experience has encouraged us to doubt all things—but even if it should fall, let the fall be delayed and contested with the utmost determination by all Allies. By aiding the Dutch and holding Java, we may serve not only part of our grand alliance but the whole."

—Reuter.

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Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar regrets that Mr. Jinnah should have misrepresented his statements as regards the national character of the Congress.

Apparently C. R. made the unjustifiable mistake of expecting otherwise.

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"War is now definitely at India's door and we may have a difficult time in India for the next few months".

—A New Delhi Military Spokesman.

What a surprising discovery!

By the way, are Messrs. Churchill and Amery aware of it?

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Sir Shanmukham Chetty has assured an American audience that "the Indian army of one million which was raised on a purely voluntary basis was well trained, well-equipped and efficient in the use of mechanised instruments of modern warfare".

Please, please restrain yourself. Remember that Sir Shanmukham is only justifying himself, his eminence his status and his principals' choice as usual.

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We gather from a London cable that some M. P. is anxious to know why Britain has no dive-bombers.

There others who are anxious to know why Britain has no aircraft of any type save for storage in Britain. Or are they?

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Several more local successes are reported in the latest Communique from Chungking.

London and Washington are, of course, very pleased. Indeed, they have promised powerful aid to China a few years hence.

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Dr. Van Mook of the Dutch East Indies has uttered an urgent warning that "the policy of constantly retiring to prepared positions could lead to a position in which the Allied might lose the war".

Or at least lose the men, as the London "Times" says.

But both are wrong. What, for instance, does it matter if Java and Rangoon, too, are lost?

There'll always Be A Beaverbrook. To say nothing of a Churchill.

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Americans, we notice, fear that Mr. Winston Churchill is in danger of losing his Premiership.

But they needn't even though Mr. Churchill is trying hard to get rid of it.

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The Italian navy, it is reported, gallantly started to destroy a British convoy and returned home without meeting it, having, however, virtually lost two cruisers and a destroyer.

This, of course, is no news except in so far as it involves the safe escape of the rest.

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A girl went to a palmist to have her hand read.

"I see you are in love with a tall man with a front tooth missing" the woman told her.

"That's right".

"I see he has asked you to marry him."

"Yes that's right."

"And his name is George Blank".

"That's marvellous! How can you tell from the lines on my hand?"

"It's not the lines I'm telling by", the palmist said. "It's the ring you're wearing. I gave it back to George two weeks ago!"

PUNJAB SATYAGRAHA

(From A Correspondent.)

No sacrifice is spared by the Beparis in their successful prosecution of the present struggle against the Sales Tax Act in the Punjab. Everybody is making monetary contributions as best as he can to help the movement. In addition to other contributions L. Lachmandas of Messrs. Tulsiram Karamchand of Amritsar has issued a blank cheque to the Bepar Mandal and Seth Ratanchand of Amritsar is paying Rs. 200 a day till the present strike is called off. There are cases where merchants have left all claims to their hereditary property; Dr. Jang Bahadur Joshi of Akalgarh is the first hero in this respect. He was disallowed by his father to help the movement. He then relinquished all claims to his property and offered himself for arrest. A Marketing Inspector resigned his post and offered Satyagrah in Chichawatni. In sympathy with the movement 200 factories have been closed at Amritsar, and the factory owners are said to have decided to pay the wages to the labourers for the duration of the strike.

Thousands of Beparis are courting arrest daily with smiling countenances at various small towns and cities. They are as all know peaceful merchants. But the police and the Jail authorities are treating them in a very rough manner. L. Lachmandas at the head of 125 other millionaire Beparis of Katra Ahluwalian Amritsar, proceeded to Lahore yesterday by train to offer Satyagrah there. All of them were detrained at Moghulpura, a station 4 miles from Lahore, and taken away, after detaining them in the lock-up till evening, to some unknown destination in the lorries under Police custody. The latest news reports that a collision of two of these lorries took place at 8-30 p.m. on the 17th February, in an uninhabited locality near Khalra far away from the main road. There is, however, no news as yet about the actual number of persons injured. It is confirmed that the Police take away the Beparis in lorries under their custody and leave them in jungles in these cold nights.

"From 18th February the Bepari Movement enters a new phase." Jathas of Beparis will march on foot from different places of the Punjab towards Lahore where they will offer themselves for arrest.

Rajaji Answers Jinnah

League Leader's Misrepresentation

MADRAS, Feb. 18.

Replying to a note sent by a member of the audience charging the speaker with having given undue prominence to Mr. Jinnah and the Muslim League in a speech made a month back, Mr. Rajagopalachariar said that there was no cause for anyone to get upset over it. Whatever he had said could not affect the position of either the Muslim League or the Congress. There was no doubt the Muslim League and the Congress were important political organisations in the country. Both demanded the same object,—full transfer of power from British hands to the Indian people. The point that he made in that speech at Tambaram was that both Hindus and Muslims were demanding transfer of power.

Mr. Rajagopalachariar said Mr. Jinnah's interpretation in his Sirajganj speech that by implication he (Rajagopalachariar) had admitted Mr. Jinnah's claim that Congress represented only the Hindus was wholly wrong.

The speaker said that he was not dealing with Mr. Jinnah's claim in that speech, but spoke in a context which could leave no such impression as Mr. Jinnah desired to make out of the remarks. If, however, Mr. Jinnah felt pleased with what the speaker had said and as a result was inclined to come to an agreement with the Congress he would be quite glad. He was sorry, however, to find that while Mr. Jinnah was pleased with what he quoted, he expressed himself in his usual manner attributing all kinds of imaginary motives to the Congress.

Mr. Rajagopalachariar concluding said that he was glad to find many Muslims, important men as well as ordinary common folk, more inclined now to come to an agreement with the Congress and really desire that Mr. Jinnah should not be so obstinate, though they did not wish to repudiate his leadership.

Mr. S. Satyamurti, who presided, said that none could prevent India from obtaining Swaraj. He urged the British Government to change their attitude with regard to India and pave the way for lasting friendly relationship between the two countries by agreeing to their demand for a declaration as to the status of India as a free country.—A.P.

ALLEGED MOLESTATION OF WOMEN

Special Meeting Of Corporation

The Municipal Corporation on Thursday agreed to the resolution of Mr. Gordhandas G. Morarji, stating that with a view to solve the longstanding problem of cheap and pure milk supply to the City of Bombay, this Corporation is of opinion that a Conference of authorities like the Bombay Municipality, Government of Bombay the B. B. and C. I. and the G. I. P. Railways and such other bodies or persons concerned with this problem be called to discuss the ways and means of solving this question and to find out what active and practical co-operation they are prepared to give for the solution of this important problem.

Mr. Gordhandas suggested that the conference should be asked to consider the question of removal of milch cattle from Bombay, formulating a marketing society for distribution of milk and to afford transport facilities.

Dr. J. V. Vora seconded and Mr. Mirza Akhtar Hasan supported the resolution which was carried.

Mr. Salebhoy Abdul Kader then moved to request the Municipal Commissioner to consider the desirability of submitting at an early date a proposal for naming or renaming a suitable major road in the City as 'Hazrat Imam Hussein Road' in order to commemorate the martyrdom of the grandson of Prophet Mohamed who sacrificed his life and all in the cause of truth and humanity."

Mr. Mirza Akhtar Hassan opposed the resolution and said Mr. Abdul Kadar was led by sentiments more than reason. If he wanted to perpetuate the memory of Hazrat Imam, the best way was to found a hospital where human suffering could be alleviated.

The resolution was carried. The Muslim League Members voted against the resolution.

On the recommendation of the Law and Revenue Committee Mr. L. S. Kagal, Superintendent of Licenses was appointed Assessor and Collector from 1st April next.

CONDUCT OF THE SOLDIERS.

A requisition has been sent to the Mayor signed by twenty councillors to call a Special Meeting of the Municipal Corporation to draw the attention of the Government to the feeling of nervousness prevailing in the minds of the public in regard to the alleged molestation of women by some members of the combatant forces.

The Mayor will call a meeting early next month.

Aney's Terms For Ranga's Release!

NAGPUR, (By Mail).

An advance assurance that they should pass a resolution calling upon Kisans to support war efforts, it is understood, was the condition precedent demanded by Mr. Aney, Member, Viceroy's Executive Council, before he takes up the question of the release of Kisan Sabha leaders, who are in jail, was the text of a letter to a prominent member of the Kisan Sabha Executive on the eve of its recent meeting in Nagpur. The letter was in reply to a request made by a member of the Executive Committee of A.I.K.S. to secure the release of Prof. Ranga and Swami Sahajanand.

Ban On Kisan Workers Lifted

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 19.

The Government of Bombay have withdrawn the orders passed under the Defence of India Rules against Miss Jayaben Thakore, Messrs. Laxmishanker Pandya and Jhinagir Arya, three Kisan workers, interning them and restraining their activities.—A. P.

14 Killed In U.P. Train Smash

Both Drivers Sustain Serious Injuries

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 19.

Fourteen persons have so far been found killed and 25 injured as a result of the collision of No. 81 "Up" Parcels Express and No. 216 "Down" Express Goods at Khaga station on the Allahabad-Cawnpore section of the East Indian Railway.

Unofficial reports available here show that the accident was of a serious nature and that three of the four passenger bogies attached to the train were badly damaged. Confirmation of the damage or casualties is not available.

It appears that the "89 Up" parcel train which was nearly three hours late and left Allahabad last night at 11.16 for Cawnpore, came into collision with a goods train near Khaja station this morning.

A relief train from Allahabad with help and the divisional railway official immediately left for the spot at 4 a.m., as soon as the information was received in the divisional headquarters here.

There has been dislocation of traffic and the Toofan Express (eight down) due here from Cawnpore at three in the morning has not yet arrived.

14 Killed

(From Our Correspondent)

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 19.

Following is the list of persons killed: Abdul Rahman (Fatehpur) Muhammad Yasin (Gaya), Chandrakishore (Allahabad), Bimal Prasad (Delhi), Ganesh Muttra Nanhe (Fatehpur) a beggar Radhekrishna (Amritsar), Abdul Satar (Fatehpur), woman (name not known) a sadhu Onkar Prasad Shukla (Raipur), Allarakhir (Fatehpur). Name of the fourteenth man not known. The debris is being cleared up.

The guard of the Express train is reported killed.

List Of Injured

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 19.

Inquiries made regarding the railway accident at the Khaga station on the East Indian Railway so far indicate that fifty-two persons have been injured, about ten of whom fractured seriously.

The following casualties have been ascertained:—

Fractured: 1. Bachai Kori, Cawnpore, (right arm); 2. Thakur Prasad Sarma, Allahabad, (left leg); 3. Mohanlal Katni (right collar bone); 4. Bansilal, Allahabad, (pelvic bone); 5. Chokhelal Baisane, (head and fist); 6. Sukhdeo, trolleyman, Divisional Superintendent's Office, Allahabad, (left leg); 7. Kishori Ram, Narayanguni, Cawnpore, (spine); 8. Ghulam Mahomed, Allahabad, (right hand); 9. Rami Maharaj, (left leg); 10. D. P. Verma, son of Din Dayal, (left leg).

Simple injuries: 1. Puran Singh, Jullundur 2. S. P. Saksena, Vakil, Farrukhabad; 3. Radhey Singh.

It is learnt that the drivers of the two trains which collided escaped with serious injuries.—United Press.

"Limbdi Day"

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The 3rd anniversary of "Limbdi Day" was observed this evening at Hirabag with Mr Bhulabhai J. Desai in the chair.

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai said that till Limbdi State accepted the reasonable demands of subjects, the subjects would continue to exercise their right to fight the despotism of the State. To demand that responsible Government should be granted was no crime. What the Congress was demanding of the British Government was also the same—responsible Government.

As all efforts to bring about a settlement between the state and its people had proved abortive, it was only reasonable that the people should carry on their agitation till the state acceded to their demands. Hence the people had no alternative but to continue the Satyagraha.

Messrs. Mangaldas Pakvasa, Samaldas Gandhi, Ratilal Thakkar, Virchand Shah and Durlabhji Parikh also spoke.

Bombay Gazette Civil Appointments

Mr. G. C. Eyan, I.P., Bombay, is appointed as Officer on Special Duty under the Director, Intelligence Bureau, Home Department, with effect from the 15th January 1942, until further orders.

Mr. H. B. Kidd to officiate as Superintendent of Police in the Selection Grade vice Mr. P. M. Stewart on leave from the 15th April 1941 to the 14th May 1941.

The Governor of Bombay has extended up to the 31st August 1942 the temporary appointment of Civil Recruiting Officer, Poona, and to direct that Mr. W. G. Hulland, I.C.S., should continue to hold it pending further orders.

Mr. R. S. Halliday, I.C.S., Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge, Ahmedabad, to officiate as District and Sessions Judge, East Khandesh, vice Mr. G. B. Constantine, I.C.S., transferred.

Mr. M. S. Patil, First Class Subordinate Judge, Poona, to officiate as Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge, Poona, vice Mr. R. S. Halliday, I.C.S.

Mr. P. H. Gunjal, Officiating Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge, Satara, to officiate as District and Sessions Judge, Satara, vice Mr. G. H. Salvi, proceeding on leave.

Mr. R. S. Vaze, First Class Subordinate Judge, Nasik, to officiate as Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge, Nasik, vice Mr. P. H. Gunjal.

Mr. G. H. Salvi, on return from leave, to be District and Sessions Judge, Satara, vice Mr. P. H. Gunjal, reverting.

The services of Mr. W. R. G. Smith, C.I.E., Barrister-at-Law, I.P., Commissioner of Police, Bombay, on relief, are placed at the disposal of the Governor-General (Public) for appointment as a member of the Federal Public Service Commission.

Rao Sahib S. S. Parkhi, on return from leave, to officiate as Superintendent, Visapur Temporary Prison.

Mr. H. E. Butler, O.B.E., I.P., to be a Presidency Magistrate in the Town and Island of Bombay while officiating as Commissioner of Police, Bombay.

Mr. H. E. Butler O.B.E., I.P., Presidency Magistrate, is empowered to exercise powers under the said section 144.

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES.

MARCH.

New York, February 19

Previous closing 18.56
To-day's opening 18.51
Difference ..... —05
To-day's closing ..... not received

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, February 19

Following are the New York opening ranges:—

March (18.54/54) 18.51/51
May (18.70/69) 18.68/68
July (18.82/82) 18.81/80

LONDON COMMODITIES.

London, February 19

SEEDS

Castorseeds February/March (£20 5/8 sellers) £20 5/8 sellers
Linseed Bombay/Calcutta February/March (£20 11/16 sellers) £20 11/16 sellers
Linseed La Plata February/March (£19) £19 sellers
Groundnut Coromandal Coast February/March (£18 7/8 East Coast India shipment; £19 1/8 West Coast India shipment). To-day's rates unchanged.

LONDON METALS

Electric Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

EXCHANGE:

CROSS RATES.

T.T. NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, February 19

Previous closing 4.03 3/4
To-day's opening 4.03 3/4

T.T LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, February 19

Previous closing 4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers.
To-day's opening 4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers.
To-day's closing 4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers.

LONDON BULLION.

London, February 19

London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

LONDON SILVER

London, February 19

Spot (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d
Forward (23 1/2d) 23 9/16d

GROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-5 31/32 sellers; 1-5 31/32 buyers) 1-5 1/32 sellers; 1-5 31/32 buyers
New York on Bombay (30.36) 30.36

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent
4 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent.
6 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, February 19

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:—

General Motors (dol 31 3/8) dol 32 1/4
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 26 1/8) dol 26 3/8
United States Steel Common (dol 50 1/4) dol 50 3/4 ex div.
United States Steel Preference unquoted

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, February 19

The London Stock Exchange was irregular to-day.

3 1/2 PER CENT STERLING LOAN

London, February 19

3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £101 3/4

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

London, February 19

5 per cent 1958/68 £101

BRITISH FUNDS.

2 1/2 per cent British Consols £83 1/16
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan £107 3/16
2 per cent Conversion Loan £99 11/16
4 per cent Funding Loan £115 1/8
3 1/2 per cent War Loan £104 7/8
3 per cent War Loan £100 1/8
4 per cent Victory Bonds £113

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors 16-0
Marks and Spencer Ordinary 31-0
Electric Music Industry 13-7 1/2
Princhin Johnson 20-4 1/2
Imperial Chemicals 32-1 1/2
Woolsworth New Ordinary 47-6
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rate £77
Dundee 25-9
Unilever Ordinary 27-0
Ford Motors 24-3
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary £58
British American Tobacco Ordy £3 13/16
Carreas 'A' £5 1/4
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary £5 7/8
P and O Defd 25-10 1/2
Distillers 73-9
Bredford Dye 9-3
British Celanese 6-6
J and P Coates 36-7 1/2
Courtaulds Ordinary 31-6
Fine Cotton Spinners 5-4 1/2
Vickers Limited Ordinary 16-4 1/2
Inter Nickel 41 5/8
Indian Iron 32-6

TEA SHARES

Assam 11-10 1/2
Donaro Tea 23-9
Empire of India 13-9

JUTE

Barnagore £6 nominal

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo-Dutch Rubber 7-6
Gula Kelampong 8-9
Rubber Plant Inv. Trust 10-0

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug 16-3
Burma Corporation 3-3
Rio Tintos £8
East Rand Properties £1 15/16
Rand Mines £6 3/4

MINE SHARES

Crown £9 1/4
Associated Portland Cement 48-0
Trinidad Leasehold 65-0
Sub-Nigel £6 3/8
Spring Mines Split Shares £1
Union Corporation 132-6

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian 38-0
Anglo-India 37-5
Burma Oil £1 9/16
Mexican Eagle 13-0
Shell Transport £1 25/32
Royal Dutch £14

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary £44
London Midland Ordinary £18 1/2
London North Eastern Defd £2 1/4
London Southern Defd £16
London Tranmport 5 per cent £130
London Transport £40 1/2

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London: February 18.

The Stock Exchange was irregular to-day. Gilt-edgeds advanced on fair investment demand finding stock short. Home Rails were steady at slightly higher levels helped by increased Midland dividend. Oils mostly recovered early sharp losses closing firm, but Industrials had another poor day with Breweries, Cable Wireless, Tobaccos and Dunlops especially easy. Kaffir developers supported by the Cape, but other Minings were dull, including Australian and Indian Old Mines, while Rubbers, Teas and Eastern Tins were again flat.

BOMBAY METALS

Bombay: February 19.

Yellow Metal Sheet ..... Rs. 105
Copper Sheets ..... Rs. 118
Tone:—Steady.

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS

Bombay: February 19.

Wheat May 0 5 6
Linseed May 0 8 0
Groundnut May 3 12 0
Castorseed May 3 8 0
Cottonseed May 1 12 0
Silver 1st settlement 0 14 0
Gold 1st settlement 1 4 6

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay: February 19.

	Extra Spr-fine	Sup. Fine	F.G.	Good
M G Bengal U P	134	131	128	125
M G Punjab	134	131	128	125
M G Rajputana	140	137	134	131
M G Oomra No. 3	153	150	147	144
M G C. P. No. 1	187	184	181	178
M G C. P. No. 2	165	162	159	156
M G Broach No. 2	186	183	180	177

TRIAL OF FORMER FRENCH MINISTERS OPENS

Alleged Betrayal Of Duties And Attempts Against Security Of State

VICHY, Feb. 19.

The trial of two former Prime Ministers of France M. Eduard Daladier and M. Leon Blum, the ex-Generalissimo of the Anglo-French Forces, General Gamelin the former Air Minister in M. Daladier's Government, M. Guy La Chambre, the former Controller-General of Armaments, M. Robert Jacomet and former Air Minister in he Blum Government, M. Pierre Cot, opened at Riom to-day according to the Vichy news agency. M. Pierre Cot, who is in the United States, is being tried in default.

The proceeding opened with the reading of the charges which are as follows: Firstly, betrayal of duties entrusted to them. Secondly, attempts against the security of the state.

BASIS OF CHARGES

The main grounds on which the charges are based are that on the date of the opening of the hostilities between France and Germany the French army and air force were not ready to carry out the mission devolving upon them There was inadequate training and insufficient armaments and shortage of all kinds of materials and lack of preparation for industrial mobilisation. Of the air force, it is stated France could not put into line a "single modern bomber". Witnesses had shown that these offences could be attributed wholly or partly to the accused.

For the lack of special training and mobilisation and preparedness special blame attaches to M. Edward Daladier, continues the charge.

M. Leon Blum, it is alleged, compromised the work of National Defence by the enforcement of Labour Legislation which virtually made overtime work impossible and that by his weakness when faced with a revolutionary agitation, he brought about considerable diminution in production.

ALLEGED INCOMPETENCE

General Gamelin is charged with incompetence in the training of the army and failure to ensure that necessary armaments were being made and adequate supplies and equipment available, and that in the course of hostilities he brought about adoption of a defensive organisation by the High Command.

The charge against M. Pierre Cot is his incompetence in organising the French Air Force and his aggravation of the inadequacy of French production through Labour Laws and weakness in dealing with the revolutionaries. M. Cot is also charged with delivering to the Spanish Republican Government aeroplanes intended for the French Air Force, especially modern planes.

M. Guy La Chambre is charged with weakness towards revolutionary agitation and causing relaxation in the vigilance of organisations charged with ensuring national defence by presenting misleading information regarding production results.

Similar charges are preferred against former Armaments Controller-General Jacmet and also, it is stated, he tolerated illegal action by trade unions and ordered the reinstatement in factories of numerous "fomenters of trouble".—Reuter.

Cyclone Havoc At Tundla

(From Our Correspondent)

SIMLA, Feb. 19.

According to an unconfirmed report received here a wall of the Tundla railway station measuring 155 feet collapsed last night or this morning as a result of a cyclone that blew over Tundla. Heavy casualties are feared. Details are not available. Telephonic and telegraphic communications with Tundla are apparently cut and no contact is possible to-day.

New Phase In Punjab Satyagraha

(From A Correspondent)

The Punjab Bepari Satyagraha has entered in its sixth week. From 18th February it has entered a new phase. The Bepari Jathas have started marching on foot from different places in the Province towards Lahore. From Amritsar the first batch of 501 traders started its march under the leadership of Bawa Gurmukh Singh of Bawa Pardaman Singh and Sons. The procession followed the Jatha and the number swelled over to a quarter million. The Satyagrahis are marching under unfavourable weather conditions—cold and heavy rain.

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TIMINGS CHANGED AGAIN!

After a week's experience, the timings are changed from TOMORROW as follows:—

Daily: 2-15, 5-45, 9 p.m.
Sunday Matinee at 11 a.m.

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BOMBAY TALKIES' Musical Comedy

To-day: 11-45 a.m. 3 p.m. & 6-30 p.m.

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HOW TO TAKE SHELTER if you are outside in a Raid

IF ever an air raid or a sea-bombardment should occur in Bombay, and you are out of doors when the Warning Siren sounds, (a wailing up-and-down note), this is what you must do:

If you are walking or cycling in the Street, go immediately into the nearest house and keep away from windows and away from the door. Avoid being near glass. Preferably sit on the floor. The Law gives you the right to take cover in any building near at hand.

If you are in a car, gharry, bus or tram, get out at once and go into the nearest house. Motor cars must be left by the kerb (after all their windows having been opened), since all unessential traffic is reduced to a stand-still on the sounding of the Warning Siren.

Horse or bullock-drawn vehicles must pull up by the kerb and the animal must be tethered to the wheel below the axle.

If you are in the Open and cannot quickly reach a building for shelter, *lie face downwards* on soft ground behind any cover that is available. A low wall or a ditch will give you reasonable protection, but if possible cover your back against the danger of spent machine-gun bullets and fragments of anti-aircraft shell which may be falling.

THINGS NOT TO DO:

DO NOT attempt to reach your home. You will not be allowed to use the streets, and an attempt to do so will only expose you to serious risk of injury.

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DO NOT stand in the street to see what is going on! Do not even peep from doorway or window to see what is going on! That's the way unnecessary casualties happen.

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DO NOT come out of cover until you hear the All Clear Siren (a steady, prolonged note).

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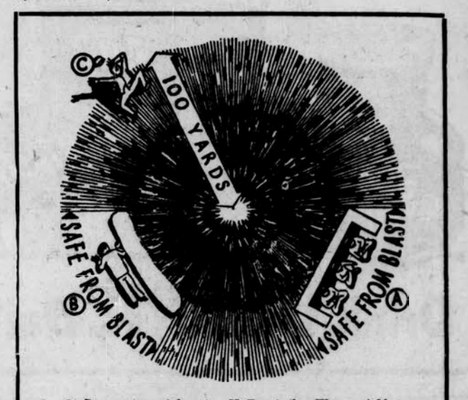
DO NOT be frightened, for if you take proper shelter you are most unlikely to be hurt.

THE ACTION OF HIGH EXPLOSIVE MISSILES

Since the whole world is now at war, everyone with claims to intelligence is forced to take some interest in the types of projectile that may some day be used against us. In this War, two classes of missiles—the High Explosive aerial bomb and High Explosive naval shell, and the Incendiary aerial bomb and Incendiary naval shell—have been the types most used in attacks on cities. Incendiary projectiles damage property only. High Explosive projectiles will also damage Mr. Citizen if he does not take proper cover.

The chances of you or your house being hit by High Explosive missiles are exceedingly small. The threat to life which such missiles represent lies in the powerful air-current and the flying splinters they send out all around them when they burst. This "blast" and this rain of splinters is so great that it will damage any unprotected person or thing over a wide area (about 100 yards in all directions from the point of explosion). The diagram on the left illustrates this. The problem of protecting yourself during a raid is therefore the problem of *being sheltered from blast and splinters.* A house will serve for this purpose—or if you are far from cover, it will serve if you lie down so that the force of the explosion passes over you. One type of Japanese bomb has only a splinter effect and little blast effect. To be safe, you need only be indoors.



Bird's-eye view of bursting H.E. missile. Waves of blast and flying splinters travel out for fully 100 yards on all sides. People sheltering behind strong wall at A receive no injury. Man lying face downwards behind low bank at B is unhurt. Man who is standing unprotected in the street at C is badly injured—even though he was 100 yards from the explosion.

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TEN ACCEPTORS FOR BYCULLA CLUB CUP

Nine Events For Final Day Of Bombay Big Meeting

The following are the Acceptances, Weights and Order of Running for the Fifth Day of the Bombay Big Meeting, to be run at Mahalaxmi, on Saturday, February 21:—

THE HARBOUR PLATE (Div. II)—Distance 7 furlongs.

Princess Mumtaz 9/2, Fakhr-ul-Mulk 8/0, Bright Lad 9/0, So What 8/9, Firdouse 8/7, Money Gold 8/7, Scottish Star 8/5, Air Craft 8/4, Tap Dance 8/3, Rose Apple 8/3, Well Masked 8/0, Air Ace 8/0, Scotch Mist 7/11, Marsh Morn 7/11, Rani Taramati 7/9, Mexican Mini 7/9, Bell Act 7/9.

THE TOWN PLATE—Distance 1 mile, 1 furlong.

Prince Mahmud 9/2 Rabdan 9/2, Mikhlif Jabir 8/9, Ushama 8/9, Metro 8/9, Bon Amis 8/8, Subhi Jazira 8/6, Nassar 8/5, Prince Suri 8/5, Faraj Allah 8/4, Thameen 8/2, Star Brilliant 7/11, Ubayan Hadi 7/11, Romantic Prince 7/7, Saif Bahadur 7/4.

THE HARBOUR PLATE (Div. I)—Distance 7 furlongs.

Sammy Brass 9/0, Savoyard 8/13, Queen of Sheeba 8/12, What's Yours 8/10, Tyrian Queen 8/10, Hectic 8/8, Pista-Badam 8/2, Liberty 8/3, Respite 8/0, Madam Pompadour 7/13, Mirage 7/12.

THE HUGHES MEMORIAL PLATE—Distance 1 mile.

Bistolfi 9/1, Golden Fawn 9/1, Good Fare 8/5, Gloaming 8/5, Golden Tiger 8/5, Cilias 8/4.

NOTE.—No allowance can be claimed in this Race.

THE HEATH MEMORIAL PLATE—Distance 1 mile.

No Wonder 9/4 Playwright 9/4, Red Flower 8/11, Trusty 8/7, Miss O.K. 8/7, Royal Sceptre 8/4, Rose of Dewas 8/4, Fairy Queen 7/5, Shahenshah 8/0, Prominent 7/11, Ishtay 7/11, Amulet 7/7, Marengo 7/7, Osman Pasha 7/5.

THE TURF CLUB CUP—Distance 1 3/4 miles.

Hikmat Pasha 9/4, Ubayan Faisal 9/0, Dahman Ramzi 8/0, Shayal Nayif 8/0, Young Tiger 8/0, Akhu Amin 8/0, Four Aces 7/9, Firpo 7/9 Sanjakdar 7/4.

THE BYCULLA CLUB CUP—Distance 1 3/4 miles.

Finalist 10/4, Steel Helmet 9/9, Gloming 8/11, Greetings 8/9, Sitara 8/7, San Francisco 7/13, Solmint 7/12, Avon Song 7/7, Cobalt 7/4, Monocle 7/4.

NOTE.—No allowance can be claimed in this Race.

THE MORLAND PLATE—Distance 1 mile.

Paprika 9/0, Haut Ton 9/0, Ginger Boy 8/11, Ratifier 8/11, Spun Glass 8/4, Misty Island 8/10, Royal Opera 8/7, Chaliect 8/4, Clarify 8/4, Sundial 8/4, Lady In Red 8/2 Sedgefield 8/0, Man-Eater 8/0, Cash 7/13, Terrace 7/11, Masque 7/7, Lord Byron 7/4.

THE MANTON PLATE—Distance 7 furlongs.

Flower of India 9/2, Dancing Comet 8/11, Fulham 8/9, Snow White 8/9, Dinshaw 8/7, Furore 8/7, Diamond Ring 8/6, Marcheux 8/4 Neocell 8/2, Hot Bun II 8/2, Lotharic 8/0, Eastern Pride 8/0, Alarm 7/11 Glenprosen 7/11, So That's That 7/11, Cougar 7/7.

NOTE.—No allowance can be claimed in this Race.

Uday Shanker Getting Married

ALMORA, Feb. 19.

The marriage of Uday Shankar, famous dancer and Director of the Uday Shankar India Culture Centre in Almora, with Miss Amala Nandi, daughter of Okhy Kumar Nandi of Calcutta, will be solemnized at the Almora Centre on March 8.—United Press.

Transportation For Life On Retrial

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Chagla and a Special Jury.)

Emperor v. Mukhtyar Tajamul ... Accused

The accused was charged with having on the evening of 11th August 1941 committed the murder of one Suleman Adam.

The prosecution case was that the deceased was walking along Ibrahim Rahimtulla Road when the accused went up to him, stabbed him, pushed him down and ran away. The accused's defence was that he had been wrongly implicated in the crime.

The accused along with one Dawood Kuchra had been tried at the last criminal sessions before Mr. Justice Blackwell. Dawood Kuchra was acquitted but as the jury returned an inconclusive verdict of five to four with regard to the present accused, Mr. Justice Blackwell had ordered his retrial.

The new Jury now returned a verdict of seven to two finding the accused guilty of the murder of Suleman Adam.

Defence counsel Mr. Pardiwalla then made an impassioned plea for mercy and stated that sentence of death should not be passed upon the accused because according to the prosecution's own case the accused was a helpless tool who committed the murder under some compulsion from somebody else.

His Lordship accepted this plea and sentenced the accused to transportation for life.

Mr. E. B. Ghaswalla with the Advocate-General and the Public Prosecutor appeared for the prosecution.

Mr. H. R. Pardiwalla defended the accused.

Transport For U. S. Citizens

Transport to the United States for a number of American citizens in India has been provided in a United States naval transport. This concession has been made solely because ordinary commercial shipping services have been interrupted by the war and numerous bookings by passenger vessels have had to be cancelled. The American Consular authorities state that the American citizens who are availing themselves of these passages are acting spontaneously. No official recommendation that they should leave India has been made.

Washington,—The War Production Director, Mr. Donald Nelson, has issued a statement urging American factories to cancel the usual Washington birthday holiday on Monday next.

"Chocolate Soldier" At Metro

"The Chocolate Soldier", new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer musical comedy, which comes to the Metro Theatre to-day, offers Nelson Eddy in a gay, romantic role, and introduces Rise Stevens a new singing star.

Not only does the picture give Eddy's voice full range with a wide variety of songs, but it gives him a part ideally suited to him, as a young singer and husband determined to find out whether or not his wife loves him and him alone. Their harum-scarum domestic life reaches its climax when he masquerades as his own rival.

For the first time on the screen, Eddy sings in two voices, his natural baritone and bass, in playing the dual roles.

A notable addition to this musical extravaganza is the glamorous personality and brilliant voice of Rise Stevens. The first American girl to portray the fiery Delilah in "Samson and Delilah" for the Metropolitan opera in twenty-two years, she sings one of the arias in the picture and proves herself a definite screen "find".

The dance productions, created by Ernst and Maria Matray, are another high point, especially the hilarious "Seek the Spy" ballet. Scored by Herbert Stothart, "The Chocolate Soldier" offers a great variety of numbers. Miss Stevens' rendition of the "Trout" and Eddy's singing of "The Song of the Flea," which he sings in Russian, are highlights, and their duets of the Oscar Straus numbers, particularly "My Hero," are worth the price of admission alone.

"My Hero" . . . is one of the lilting Oscar Straus love songs sung by Nelson Eddy and Rise Stevens in "The Chocolate Soldier" showing at the Metro.

"This England", a stirring saga of a nation in the making comes to Excelsior.

MOVING COMEDY-DRAMA AT REGAL

Boyer Stars With Margaret Sullavan In "Appointment For Love"

That pair of infallibles, romance and comedy, will streamline across the Regal Theatre screen on Friday with the opening of 'Appointment for Love" a gay and moving modern comedy-drama which accumulates keen added interest through co-starring the talented and eye-arresting Charles Boyer and Margaret Sullavan.

Development and backgrounds of "Appointment for Love" are thoroughly modern, the play's theme taking a firm grip on the problem presented when husband and wife are confronted with the burning question of whether career—their separate careers, more accurately—shall come before or after their domestic life and affairs. Naturally this presents a perfect setting for complications and misunderstandings which, under the astute production guidance of Bruce Manning, the able direction of William A. Seiter, and the skilled characterisations of a dozen stellar performers, reaches unusual heights of dramatic fun-making.

Boyer, in 'Appointment for Love', portrays a Broadway playwright and member of smart cafe society who turns his back on a bevy of glamour girls to devote himself to Miss Sullavan. She is a doctor, chic and clever, but with a professional veneer which doesn't match with Boyer's romantic convictions.

Even their marriage doesn't change matters much—except to make his life utterly miserable. Boyer and Miss Sullavan romp through a series of startling and amusing circumstances to nominate the film as one of the most delightful of many seasons.

"PENNY SERENADE" AT THE PALACE

One of the pleasurable screen treats of the season is Columbia's new romantic drama "Penny Serenade", which is the attraction at The Palace this week. With Irene Dunne and Cary Grant excitingly co-starred, "Penny Serenade" is a romance that is everything a love story should be.

Tender, warm, unforgettably moving, "Penny Serenade" is more than an exciting reunion of two grand stars, it is a story that strikes straight to the heart, a story to be remembered by all those who've ever loved or ever hope to love. It tells of an irresponsible newspaperman and of his wife, of their first ecstatic meetings, of their honeymoon and its conclusion in near-tragedy, and of their later struggles to build a home and happiness. Grant is the casual newspaperman who one day wanders into a music store to purchase a record, "Penny Serenade" Miss Dunne is the woman who waits upon him.

Mahatma's Relative Dead

(From A Correspondent)

AKOLA, Feb. 19.

Mahatmaji's relative Shri Nanabhai Icohharam Mashruvala, aged 60, expired at 1-30 p.m. today. The funeral procession was attended among others by Mr. Kishorilal Mashruval and the Hon. Brijlal Biyaniji. The deceased was associated with the national movement and several institutions at Akola.

WANGER THRILLER AT THE CAPITOL

"Foreign Correspondent" Unfolds Exciting Drama Of Modern War

Breath-taking excitement, romance and drama, mystery and intrigue are unfolded in the thrill-packed story of Walter Wanger's "Foreign Correspondent" which was directed by Alfred Hitchcock with a prominent stellar cast and which comes on Saturday to the Capitol. Mr. Wanger decided to make "Foreign Correspondent" in recognition of the intrepid group of American newspapermen who are serving as the nation's eyes and ears during the European debacle, risking their lives daily in order to keep their own people informed of their rapidly shifting panorama of war.

"Foreign Correspondent" has in its principal roles Joel McCrea, Laraine Day, Herbert Marshall, George Sanders, Robert Benchley, Albert Basserman, Edmund Gwenn, Harry Davenport and Eduardo Ciannelli. Following the completion of his sensational hit, "Rebecca", Alfred Hitchcock, known throughout the world as the master of screen thrillers, went to work on the script of "Foreign Correspondent," and with Joan Harrison and Charles Bennett wrote the original screenplay. James Hilton and Robert Benchley contributed dialogue to the final script.

"THIS ENGLAND"

Pageant Of British Struggle For Liberty At Excelsior

A stirring saga of a nation in the making with love, comedy and drama blended into one memorable film, "This England" comes to the Excelsior Theatre this week.

Our film is the story of John Rookby and of his farm at Claverly Down, where for hundreds of years the people have lived and worked and fought for their freedom much as they do to-day.

To a girl, an American journalist, who comes to the village in 1940, it seems strangely unshaken by the battle of Britain that roars above its fields, even when a bomb falls in the heart of the village. John Rookby tells her he believes it is because it is nothing new for Claverly Down to be fighting for its life. It is as though they had all been through it before, Rookby, and Appleyard his labourer, Gage at the pub, Martin at the forge, the doctor, the vicar, and the rest. If the mists of time could roll back they might see how their fathers had held this land for them... Then through the mists the story of the village is unrolled..... First we are taken through the Norman times when Rookby leads a rising of the villagers who like him labour as serfs in the fields of the Lord of the Manor. When the lord is killed the boy who succeeds him has been bred in English ways, and Claverly Down has conquered its last conqueror.

Then when the threat of the Armada lies over England, a gipsy girl is shipwrecked near Claverly. Rookby takes her into his house. Appleyard his labourer, who hates anyone who might turn or tempt a Rookby from the land, murders the steward and stirs the village to drive out the gipsy. Rookby again keeps his land and liberty.

Then two hundred years later the men of Claverly are drifting into the new factories and towns. In a few years, Napoleon's invasion fleet lies across the narrow seas and the people of Claverly are starving. Appleyard, the unemployed labourer, raises the village and brings Rookby back to farm his idle acres once again.

Armistice night 1918 finds Rookby blinded, but ready to farm again with Appleyard's help. That night he meets a girl, his distant cousin, and alone among the delirious crowd they feel doubt in the future. Rookby has a son, she has a daughter in America. Perhaps the struggle is not over—it will be in their children's hands.

Sunday Morning Shows

CAPITOL (10-30 a.m.)—"Goldwyn Follies," starring Ritz Bros., Andrea Leeds, Kenny Baker and Adolph Menjou.

METRO (10 a.m.)—"Born to Dance," Starring Eleanor Powell.

REGAL (10-30 a.m.)—"Appointment for Love."

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Admission to the Order is progressive, members working their way up from the 3rd to the 1st Class by acts of conspicuous gallantry in the field and obtaining increases of pay equal to one-third, two-thirds and full pay respectively, in addition to their ordinary pay or pension. Recipients are entitled to use the letters "I.O.M." after their names.

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MUTT AND JEFF—And Jeff Certainly Knows a Fowl When He Sees One — By BUD FISHER

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FOUL! GET OFF THE FIELD!
WHAT FOR?
I'M SENDING YOU OFF THE FIELD FOR A FOUL, DOPE!
?
HERE SHE IS, REF! I THINK SHE'S BIG ENOUGH FOR TWENTY-TWO MEN?
CLUCK! CLUCK!
? ?
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Only a week ago I had an attack of nerves with terrible indigestion and heartburn. I straightway sent to the chemist for a bottle of Yeast-Vite and from the first dose I improved till at the finish of the bottle I was cured. Believe me, I know what I am talking about. I have paid to learn both with health and pocket. Again I thank you for your wonderful Yeast-Vite. I am yours truly, W.C.

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Yours faithfully, (Signed B. B.)

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BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay: February 19.

The local Share Bazar was dull again with a restricted business. Associated Cements were quoted at Rs. 159 and Belapur Sugar shares were quoted at Rs. 218. Kohinoors were done at Rs. 449. Business is becoming difficult owing to utter absence of buyers.

Yesterday Wall-St. market opened quiet. Industrials were heavy and Rails were firm with buyers cautious although support was evident in a few scattered issues. U. S. Steel shares improved 1/4 at 51 and Anaconda Coppers gained 1/8 at 26 1/4. General Motors closed 1/4 up at 32 dollars.

The local market remains a puzzle and the outlook remains uncertain.

TEXTILES		
100	Ahmedabad Advance	297 0
250	BOMBAY DYEING	1100 0
100	CENTURY	350 0
100	CENTRAL INDIA	330 0
100	Colaba	180 0
100	Cooria	125 0
250	Dawn	662 0
250	David	325 0
1	E. D. Sassoon Defd.	2 4 9
100	FINLAY	230 0
100	GOKAK	225 0
1000	Hindustan	2525 0
100	Indore	211 0
100	Khatau	205 0
100	KOHINOOR	449 0
250	LAXMI	620 0
100	Madhusudan	350 0
100	MORARJI	455 0
250	Model	188 12
50	MYSORE	232 0
200	NEW GREAT	275 0
100	Podar	185 0
100	Phoenix	482 0
25	Sassoon Silk	80 8
1000	Sholapur	6395 0
50	SIMPLEX	160 0
100	SWADESHI	351 0
100	SWAN	215 0
600	Vishnu	1435 0
1000	Western	1600 0
BANKS		
50-100	Baroda	108 4
25-50	Central India	41 8
500	Imperial	1466 0
125-500	Imp. Cont.	366 0
50-100	India	135 0
100	Reserve Bank	100 4
5	Union	6 1 0
CEMENTS		
100	ASSOCIATED X-D	159 0
INSURANCE		
10-50	British India	13 0
100	Empire	786 4
15-100	Jupiter	14 4
20	Mercantile	66 0
15-75	New India	40 8
200	Oriental	4010 0
10-50	Vulcan	8 15 0
ELECTRIC		
100	Ahmedabad Old X-D	168 12
1000	ANDHRA VALLEY	1627 0
10	Ajmer	1213 0
50	BOMBAY TRAMS	140 0
100	Bombay Suburban	181 0
10	Broach	13 6
100	Karachi	217 0
100	Poona	217 0
100	Surat	183 12
100	TATA HYDRO	185 0
1000	TATA POWER	1500 0
RAILWAYS		
500	Ahmedabad Prantij	852 0
100	C. Province	104 0
100	Dhond Baramati	104 4
100	Gujarat	104 0
100	Mandra Bhon	104 0
100	Pachora Jamner	93 0
100	Sara Sirajganj	107 0
500	Tapti Valley	641 0
MININGS		
9	Burma Corporation	1 11 0
2sh.	Indian Copper	1 9 6
10	Indian Iron and Steel	22 0
30	SHIVRAJPUR	31 8
10	Mukund Iron	13 0
40	TATA STEEL DEFD	1525 0
75	TATA STEEL ORD.	285 0
10	Steel Corporation	13 14
MISCELLANEOUS		
100	ALCOCK	605 0
10	Air Services	3 14
50	BELAPUR SUGAR	218 0
200	Bombay Safe Deposit	650 0
250	BOMBAY STEAM	292 0
100	B. BURMA	225 0
50	Contributory	82 8
8sh.	Br. B. Petrol	1 3 9
100	IND. BLEACHING	176 0
50	Ind. Invest Trust	48 8
100	Indian Radio Def	350 0
100	Indian Radio Ord.	530 0
100	Port Canning	70 0
30	PREMIER CONSTRUCTION	106 8
15	Scindia	17 8
24	Tata Oil	48 0
24	Tata Chemical	13 0
100	Wimco	201 4
PREFERENCE		
7	p.c. Andhra Valley	1552 0
5	p.c. Bom. Steam	325 0
7	p.c. Bom. Tram (T.F.) X-D	75 0
5	p.c. Central India (T.F.)	643 12
5	1/4 p.c. Premier Const. 1st	121 0
6	1/4 p. c. Premier Const. 2nd	116 0
7	p.c. Tata Hydro	155 0
7	1/2 p.c. Tata Power	1595 0
6	p.c. Tata Steel 1st	205 0
7	1/2 p.c. Tata Steel 2nd	122 0
7	p.c. Vishnu	746 0
DEBENTURES		
4	p.c. Andhra Valley Deb.	105 12
4	p.c. Bom. Telephone	50 2
5	p.c. Morarji	104 0
5	p.c. Sholapur	73 4
4	p.c Tata Power Deb.	105 8

PRICE FIXING AND LOCAL BUYING IN N. Y. COTTON

Anticipation Of Hedge Selling Against February Releases

MARCH LIQUIDATION AND HEDGING

Bombay: February 19.

On Wednesday the New York cotton market was quietly steady with a limited turnover. Contracts continue scarce, although some spot houses are anticipatorily hedging against Government's February releases of Loan Cotton.

MANCHESTER TRADE

Cotton goods turnover has not appreciably expanded with business mainly to Government. Inability to secure licences precludes cloth export sales apart from occasional lots to South Africa, Canada and South America. Negotiations continue actively for shipment of any suitable stock lots to Australia for the services but most of the frustrated Singapore etc. contracts are unsuitable for Australia.

NEW YORK MARKET

On the New York cotton market there was March liquidation and hedging followed by price-fixing and local buying in sympathy with firmness of New Orleans, but selling by leading spot house retarded the rally and the market eased on local realising.

At the opening March was quoted 2 pts down at 18.54, which was the lowest level for the day. There was moderate buying and March advanced to 18.65, which was the highest level, but prices declined on local profit-taking and the market closed 2 pts up to one point down. Spot cotton prices were unchanged at 20.20c per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was quietly steady and closed at a rise of 2 pts. Spot cotton prices were unchanged at 19.24c per lb.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York March highest 18.65+09 (12-45 p.m.); lowest 18.54—02 (10 a.m.).

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

New York: Some trade and local buying absorbed by long liquidation and hedging. Market quiet.

NEW YORK COTTON
New York: February 18.

March	18.56
May	18.70
July	18.83—01
October	18.93+01
December	18.99+02
January	19.03+02
Middling Spot	20.20

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
New Orleans: February 18.

March	18.59
May	18.74+01
July	18.87+01
October	19.11+02
December	19.15+02
January	19.18+02
Middling Spot	19.24

NEW YORK COTTON NOON CALL
New York: February 18.

March	18.62
May	18.77
July	18.92

GOVT. SECURITIES

Bombay: February 19.

2 3/4 per cent	1948/52 96
3 1/2 per cent	G P Notes 91/12
3 per cent	1961/54 Loan 96
3 per cent	1949/52 Loan 96
4 per cent	1960/70 105/12
4 per cent	1943 Bonds 102/8
3 per cent	War Bonds 98
3 per cent	1963/65 Loan 91/12
4 1/2 per cent	1955 Loan 110/8
	TAX FREE LOANS
5 per cent	1945/55 Loan 106
4 per cent	1953/63 Mysore 115
6 per cent	1965 Mysore 122
	CORPORATION DEBENTURES
4 per cent	B P T 1947 105
4 per cent	M Deb 1947 105
5 per cent	M Deb 1959 111
6 per cent	M Deb 1954 123
6 per cent	K P T 1956 123

Trend:—Quiet. All rates are nominal.

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, Feb. 19.

Following unchanged New York advices the local market opened to-day at Rs 190/8 for Broach A. M. delivery and improved to Rs. 192/- on scattered buying. At the rise there was renewed selling and prices declined to Rs. 190/- The market outlook is uncertain although present prices are very attractive. Later on there was improved buying and the market closed at 4 p.m. as under:—

	Rs. a. p.
BROACH April May	192 4 0
BROACH July/August	200 8 0
OOMRA March	148 0 0
OOMRA May	154 8 0
OOMRA July	159 0 0
BENGAL March	129 4 0
BENGAL May	132 12 0
BENGAL July	135 0 0

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Bombay: February 19.

	Old.	Ready.	Feb.
Bengal Fine	113/16	130/33	.....
Berar	115/20	145/47	.....
C. P. 1	135/40	178/80	.....
C. P. 2	118/20	158/60	.....
Khandesh	90/100	115/18	.....
Mugiai	95/105	126/28	Fine
Broach	110/15	.....	—12
Broach Low	95/100	.....	.....

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES

Bombay: February 19.

In full-pressed bales.	Yesterday.	This year.	Since 1st Septr. Last year
Khandesh	599	56,234	76,464
Central India	851	18,896	80,179
Barsi and Nagar	92	40,173	73,759
Hyderabad/Gaorani		7 918	24,501
Berar	2,103	135,880	243,299
Central Provinces	811	60,237	47,277
Total Oomras	4,456	319,388	545,779
Dholeras	604	25,316	39,792
N.-W. Provinces		1,021	1,006
Rajputana		378	3,663
Sind-Punjab	1,242	305,671	311,933
Broach	5,719	121,128	18 269
Coompta & Dharwar	69	5,736	29,752
Westerns-Northerns	158	5,348	30,830
Cocanada			239
Tinnevelly and Cambodia		8,680	522
Total	12,248	756,536	981,196
Arrived by road to 12th February 1942		77,500	142,250

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay: February 19.

The market opened around previous closing levels and with absence of support prices were inclined to drift towards lower levels. Tata Deferreds opened at 1485 and eased off to 1460 while Tata Ordinaries declined from 275 to 270. Textiles also were ruling unsteady and Bombay Dyeings were quoted around 1075. Indian Irons stood at 21/14.

The following were the important quotations on the Exchange to-day:—Tata Deferreds (1485) 1485 1450. Tata Ordinaries (275) 275, 270. Indian Iron 21/14, Steel Corporation of Bengal 13/12, Bombay Dyeing 1075, Central India 320, Century 350, Sokak 220, Kohinoor 435, Simplex 165, Andhra Valley 1635, Tata Hydro 160, Tata Power 1500, Associated Cement 157, Belapur 215, Bombay Burma Old 220.

GROUNDNUTS AND SEEDS

Bombay: February 19.

	Rs. a. p.
Groundnuts February—	
Opening	42 11 0
Highest	42 11 0
Lowest	42 2 0
Closing	42 8 3
Groundnuts May—	
Opening	44 8 0
Highest	44 8 0
Lowest	44 3 0
Closing	44 3 0
Cottonseeds May—	
Opening	24 15 6
Highest	24 15 6
Lowest	24 13 6
Closing	24 13 6
Castorseeds May—	
Opening	41 8 0
Highest	41 8 0
Lowest	41 8 0
Closing	41 8 0

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, Feb. 19.

Yesterday London Gold was unchanged at £8-8-0 Dollar Sterling cross rate was 4.02-1/2 to 4.03-1/2 at London and 4.03-3/4 at New York.

London Spot and forward Silver quotations were unchanged at 13-1/2d. and New York Spot Silver was also unchanged at 35-1/8 cents. London, Bombay Spot and forward Silver parity was Rs. 62/10/3. The local market was fairly steady. It appears that shortage of Silver supplies are selling on the market as the Bank is offering delivery of April 7. Thus naturally prices are firming up and ready Silver was quoted at Rs. 75 Gold was quietly steady. Quotations were as under:—

Gold ready Rs. 49/13, Fagan Rs. 48/15. Sovereign Rs. 38. Silver ready Rs. 75. Fagan Rs. 66/7. Sovereign Rs. 67.

LINSEED AND WHEAT

Bombay: February 19.

Linseed May	9 0 9
Wheat May	7 0 6

PEPPER AND GINGER.

Bombay: February 19.

Pepper ready	113 0 0
Pepper Chaitra Sud 15	117 0 0
Pepper Jeth Sud 15	121 0 0
Ginger ready	85 0 0
Ginger Chaitra Sud 15	85 8 0

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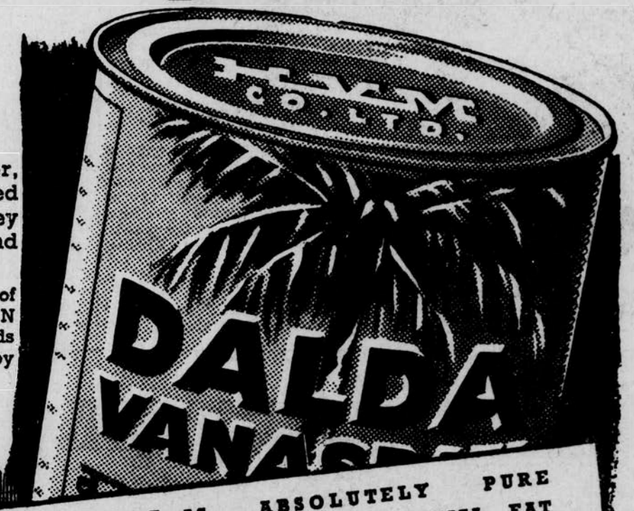

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Mahatma On His Talks With Chiang

'NO HOPE OF CONGRESS GOVT. RAPPROCHEMENT'

Santiniketan's Reception To Marshal And Madame: Azad Wishes Their Safe Return Home

(From Our Correspondent).

NAGPUR, Feb. 19.

"Will there be any rapprochement between Congress and Government in view of your meeting Marshal Chiang-Kai-Shek?" asked your representative to Gandhiji when the Mahatma passed through Nagpur 'en route' to Wardha this evening.

"No," was the emphatic reply.

Your representative queried: "Gandhiji, you had four hours' meeting with the Generalissimo. Did your discussions include politics?"

Gandhiji smilingly said: Four hours were not enough for our conversation. We discussed many things and also politics but in the broader sense of the term. We wanted to discuss many other things but time did not permit."

Gandhiji withstood the journey well, cracked jokes with his grand children who were waiting for him.

The date of the next Congress Working Committee meeting has not yet been decided, said Gandhiji.

Gandhiji's Return To Sevagram

WARDHAGANJ, Feb. 19.

Mahatma Gandhi accompanied by Mr. Mahadev Desai arrived here this evening from Calcutta.

Hearing the news of the death of Mr. Nanabhai Mashruwal whose daughter is married to Mr. Manilal, Gandhiji's second son now in Africa, Gandhiji with a heavy heart said: "Mr. Nanabhai followed Seth Jamnalal Bajaj's very soon."

Gandhiji walked to Seth Jamnalal Bajaj's 'bungalow' and then motored to Sevagram.—United Press.

ARCHITECTS OF CHINA'S DESTINY

Congress Wishes Chiangs Safe Journey Home

NEW DELHI, Feb. 19.

Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Congress President, has sent the following telegram to H.E. Marshal Chiang-Kai-Shek at Calcutta:

"Permit me to assure you and Madame Chiang-Kai-Shek that it was a matter of genuine pleasure for me to have the opportunity of meeting you. Indians have reason to be happy to find the great architects of China's destiny in your and Madame's persons in their midst and it will be one of their lasting regrets that situated as they are they have not been able to do what they would have liked to express their feelings towards you and through you towards the people of China. I offer you at the time of your departure my own and India's sincere wishes for a safe journey home."

SANTINIKETAN'S WELCOME

A pair of silk dhotis and a Chaddar to the Generalissimo and a lovely silk saree to the Madame were presented on behalf of the Vishwa Bharati at a reception held in their honour at the mango grove in the Vishwa Bharati grounds.

The guests were welcomed in the true Hindu style. They were garlanded and sandal paste was applied to their foreheads. The function opened with the singing of Vedic songs and the chanting of Vedic verses.

RATHINDRA'S WELOME

Welcoming Marshal and Madame Chiang-Kai-Shek on behalf of the Viswa Bharati, Mr. Rathindranath Tagore recalled Poet Rabindranath's sympathy and love for China, which knew no bounds "to the very last of his life." He said; "The poet continued to show undiminished interest in the fate of your country and never ceased to express his admiration for the great qualities of your people, their love of knowledge and finer pursuits of the mind to which they have held fast even in the turmoil of their life and death struggle."

Remarking that the visit was a honour conferred on the Viswa Bharati and that they would even cherish the memory of this great event in their individual lives and in the annals of this University, Mr. Tagore said that their one regret was that they had not today in their midst, presiding at this ceremony of welcome, one, who alone in his inimitable way could have adequately expressed their thoughts and their joy on this occasion. None indeed would have been happier, he added, than he to bid them welcome to this Asrama.

Continuing Mr. Tagore observed: "Your Excellency, you are aware of the great admiration my father always had for you and for your noble and heroic spouse and comrade-in-arms, Madame Chiang-Kai-Shek. This admiration and his faith in the great future of your land he had voiced on many an occasions, and he looked forward to the day when your people and ours will resuscitate not only their ancient heritage but also that friendship which had once brought them so close together. On such a day as this his spirit would have rejoiced, indeed, I am sure, rejoices even now and in unspoken accents his voice mingles with ours in this welcome to you and the members of your party."

AGE-LONG AND ABIDING TIE

Mr. Tagore stated that the tie which bound the two countries, India and China, was not one of mere political connotation: it was not an alliance between two states to serve some ephemeral political interest: for, from the very dawn of history and civilisation they two had stood together, in friendship, sympathy and understanding. "Unfortunately the bonds had loosened in course of time, when both China and India held themselves aloof from one another, in their respective isolations and stupor of slumber. From our side, my father was the first to realise the urgency of a revival of friendly contact with China and from the very inception of this University, he had been trying to bring back to life the ancient cultural amity that had once existed between our two peoples. In this, it is gratifying to note, he was considerably successful, as his ideas were enthusiastically reciprocated by the Chinese intellectuals and the leaders of your people. Our Cheena-Bhavana, in the establishment of which, we have the honour to recount, Your Excellency has been personally interested is to-day the symbol of unity between our two ancient people."

Concluding Mr. Tagore expressed the hope that Marshal Chiang-Kai-Shek, "who personifies the indomitable spirit of deathless China", would lead his people from glory to greater glory.

Chiang's Reply

Owing to heavy rain, the venue of the reception was changed from the Mango grove to the Sinha Sadan.

In replying to the address of welcome by Mr. Rathindranath Tagore, the Generalissimo said;

"Both Madame Chiang and myself feel happy to visit the home of the great Poet at this international seat of learning. We are grateful for the reception you have given to us. We did not see the Poet in person, but we are glad to witness the spirit he has left behind in this institution he has founded. We fervently hope that the teachers and students who have gathered here, will try to uphold the tradition and continue to build up the great work, of which the foundation has already been laid by your Gurudev. Just as our Sun Yat Sen had established the spirit of universal brotherhood amongst us and raised the glory of New China, so your great preceptor has elevated the spirit of your great land and brought to it a new awakening.

Addressing Mr. Tagore, teachers and students, the Marshal said; "I have brought nothing from China to offer you, but the warmth of my heart and the good wishes of our people. May you achieve the great work that has been left as a trust to the entire nation by the great leader of your land."

Madame On Spirit Of New China

Replying separately, Madame Chiang Kai-Shek said: "To-day my mind flies back to thousands of students in my own country. Seeing your young faces, I remember with pride and hope the ardent spirit of New China, and I also remember the terrible trial through which they are passing at this hour. Since Japan started her aggression on China, thousands and thousands of our students had to face bombs, tanks and artillery. They kept the mind of China awake and the torch of flaming patriotism burning brighter than ever."

"Your noble founder, I believe," she concluded, 'wanted you to prepare yourselves to become leaders. He would not remain apart from your people and be mere leader in name only, but bring revival in the generations which have to redeem your nation. I know that if our young people were aware of the possibility of my coming here, they would have sent their warm greetings of fellowship and of their sympathy for you. Your poet has a place in their heart and has been enshrined in the minds of the Chinese people for all time to come."—A. P.

HINTS FOR A. R. P. WORKERS

The Bombay Rescue Service has devised some simple methods which will enable their workers to carry out their tasks more efficiently should the need arise. Our photo shows an improvised stretcher—a sheet of canvas with rope-loops at the ends. This is often more useful than a regular stretcher which is liable to handicap the rescue party in moving through narrow passages or debris.

Board Of Control For P. V. B.

COMMITTEES FOR RELIEF, EVACUATION AND RESCUE WORK TO BE SET UP

BOMBAY, Thursday.

A Board of Control of the People's Volunteer Brigade with 21 members was elected by the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee at its urgent meeting held this evening. Mr. Bhulabhai J. Desai presided.

Mr. S. K. Patil, Secretary of the P. V. B., announced that the General Body of the Brigade would meet on Thursday next to set up four important committees namely the Relief Committee, Evacuation Committee, Finance Committee and the Rescue Work Committee.

A resolution was passed by the B.P.C.C. authorising the P.V.B. to collect funds for carrying on its activities. The B.P.C.C. made a token grant of Rs. 1,000 to the P.V.B. in this connection and appealed to the citizens to co-operate in raising the necessary funds.

The following 21 members were elected on the Board of Control:—

1 Shri J. C. Setalvad, 2 Shri Shantikumar N. Morarji, 3 Shri Madanmohan Ruia, 4 Shri. Ramnath Podar, 5 Shri Ratilal M. Gandhi, 6 Shri N. M. Joshi, 7 Shri Dhirajlal B. Desai, 8 Shri S. A. Brelvi, 9 Smt. Lilavati K. Munshi, 10 Shri Joachim Alva, 11 Shri G. P. Hutheesingh, 12 Shri Ratansi Champsi, 13 Shri Abid Ali Jaferbhoy, 14 Shri P. K. Savant, 15 Smt. Safia Khan, 16 Shri Nagindas T. Master, 17 Shri Bhawanji A. Khimji, 18 Shri Soonderdas Morarjee, 19 Shri S. L. Silam, 20 Shri B. N. Maheshwari and 21 Shri Purshottam Trikamdas.

Mr. Ratilal M. Gandhi was elected the Treasurer.

(Left) One useful way of sending a rope to a rescue party working high up in a building by means of a bow and arrow. (Right) Signalling with the aid of flags. This is particularly useful when noise prevents the giving of verbal instructions or debris makes other means of communication difficult.

The Half-Column
By "Dim"

Exclusive! Very exclusive—but it is told to Half Column readers confidentially. When the Chiang-Kai-Sheks arrived in Delhi, Maurice Lancaster, the "March of Time" representative, took the next train (or plane) to Delhi and asked for permission to take pictures of the Chiang-Kai-Sheks. Pushed around by officials and finding himself tied up in knots by red tape, Lancaster moved on his own, got the Chiang-Kai-Sheks when they were at lunch at Pandit Jawaharlal's residence, through Wellington Po, and got all the pictures he wanted showing the Marshal and Madame in INDIA with Indians, of whom Jawaharlal can be regarded as (fairly?) representative!! Government's great propaganda machine worked differently. First someone wrote a D. O. to someone else. Then it was marked "Secret and Confidential" and red tape and sealing wax stuck to it and in the end they got a few (long?) shots of the Chiang-Kai-Sheks in Delhi's "historic surroundings". (I am anticipating the commentary.) These historic surroundings will consist of the Viceroy, A. D. C.'s and a few buildings.

But did FAB get the Marshal with Nehru? No. Did FAB go to Calcutta to get pictures of the momentous meeting of Chiang-Kai-Shek and the Mahatma? No. And why? Because there was no time to write D. O.'s, I expect. So the great propaganda department of Government will give you less than what a single individual (an American) will give to his people.

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A correspondent writes

"I wonder whether your attention has been drawn to the communication dated 16th instant by the Domei Agency correspondent in Singapore that Lieut.-Gen. Tomoyuki Yamashita, Commander-in-Chief of the Japaness Expeditionary Force in Malaya, indicating Japanese terms for surrender to Singapore at a forty-nine minute meeting with Gen. Percival, Commander-in-Chief of the British forces, last night, accepted the fullest responsibility for the lives of British and Australian troops and British women and children remaining in Singapore." Who is responsible for the lives of Indian troops, and women and children remaining in Singapore? Could Gen. Percival not also demand safety for Indian troops, women and children?"

I quite agree, it sounds bad, if the Domei correspondent's report is correct.

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